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Libya said suspending financial aid to PLO

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi was quoted Tuesday as saying for the first time he is suspending financial contributions to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

In an interview with the *New York Times*, Qaddafi accused the organization of selling out the Arab people.

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He spoke of a less troubled relationship with the United States, and said he was foregoing earlier threats to cut off oil exports to America.

This was after he had received what he described as unofficial but reliable assurances from President Carter, which "we interpret ... as meaning a more neutral American posture in the conflict between the Arabs and Israel."

Qaddafi said his government had promised through indirect channels that it would protect the U.S. embassy in Tripoli, which was attacked and burned by demonstrators earlier this month.

In Beirut, Western diplomatic sources said Yasser Arafat's diplomatic offensive is causing growing strains within the PLO and some commandos are pressing for a tougher approach.

The PLO accused Qaddafi of trying "to dominate the Palestinian revolution" and told him to stop meddling in its affairs.

Jordan plans its biggest dam

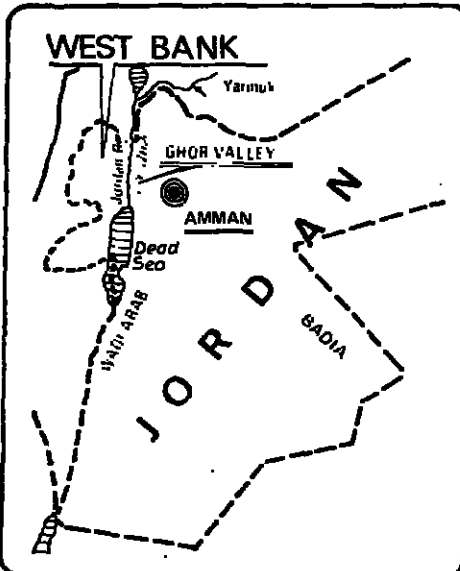
AMMAN, Dec. 11 (R) — Jordan has announced plans to build the country's biggest dam, part of a billion dollar scheme to develop the Jordan Valley.

The Valley, which stretches 100 km (60 miles) from Lake Tiberias in the north to the Dead Sea in the south, is the lowest area on the Jordanian plateau, between 300 and 400 meters (1,000 and 1,300 feet) below sea level.

The Jordan Valley Authority, in advertisements published Tuesday, said it will put tenders for the dam out next year and award the contract in January, 1981. Construction was expected to take about five years, it said.

The proposed Maqarin Dam on the Yarmouk River, which forms part of the Jordan-Syrian border, will store about 350 million cubic meters (92.5 billion U.S. gallons) of water for drinking and irrigation. The project is being financed by international agencies, including the World Bank, the European Common Market and the Arab, European and American Development Funds.

The first stage of the scheme, which was completed in the summer at a cost of about \$100 million, has provided enough water to irrigate more than 20,000 hectares (50,000 acres) of land.



The authority advertisement said work on the new dam will be carried out under one general unit-price type contract that will contain escalating provisions, and that tenders will be made on an international competitive basis.

Vance asks Italians' help for hostages

ROME, Dec. 11 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance asked Italian leaders Tuesday to carry on supporting peaceful American efforts to obtain the release of the hostages in the U.S. embassy in Tehran.

Vance conferred with President Sandro Pertini, who sent a personal appeal to Iranian revolutionary leader Ayatollah Khomeini for the release of the hostages, and with Premier Francesco Cossiga.

"I want to thank President Pertini for his courageous message to Ayatollah Khomeini concerning the capture and detention of our staff in Tehran, in which he asked their immediate release," Vance told reporters. "I am grateful for what has been done and what will be done," he added.

Students, with the support of Ayatollah Khomeini, have occupied the embassy since Nov. 4 to back their demand for the extradition of the deposed Shah from the United States.

Vance, who was to leave for Bonn after lunch with Premier Cossiga, said Washington would continue to seek the release of the 50 hostages "in a peaceful way."

He did not elaborate, but an American diplomatic source said the United States was considering a series of graduated steps to put pressure on the Tehran authorities to obtain the hostages' freedom.

This might start with the suspension by the United States and friendly countries of landing rights for the Iranian airline Iran Air and might eventually lead to a total embargo.

Other measures under consideration are a cutoff of military supplies and freezing of Iranian assets by non-American banks if the Iran government defaulted on a loan. Iranian assets in U.S. banks have already been frozen by the government.

In Bonn West Germany's foreign minister called again Tuesday for the release of American hostages in Tehran and said the Bonn government stood beside the United States in the Iran crisis.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher made his remarks during a speech delivered in the Bundestag, or parliament, a few hours before the scheduled arrival of Vance.

During his speech, Genscher termed the hostage drama "an open breach of common law and a flagrant attack on all laws of humanity."

He also called on Iran not to make "people of another country victims" of the situation within the country.

But despite the strong words of support, there were signs that the Bonn government would not approve any call to join the United States in an economic boycott against Iran.

West Germany, whose economy relies far more heavily on exports than does the United States, is opposed to the principle of economic sanctions except in extreme cases.

Some West German sources have noted that such sanctions have not been entirely successful against Cuba or Zimbabwe-Rhodesia.

The West Germans have, however, stopped shipments of military equipment and spare parts to the Iranians.

On the eve of the Vance arrival, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt met with top advisers to review the West German position in the Iranian crisis and prepare a response to any U.S. calls for greater support.

In Tehran Foreign Minister Sadeq Ghotbzadeh said Tuesday that the spy trial of American hostages at the U.S. embassy will be deferred until an international "grand jury" has investigated the alleged crimes of the United States.

Ghotbzadeh told selected foreign journalists at a press conference, "the trial won't be conducted before the grand jury has met."

He said the setting up of the international commission would be announced within 10 days. Foreign members of the commission would not include diplomats accredited in Iran.

U.S. agrees to reschedule Turkish debts

ANKARA, Dec. 11 (R) — Turkey and the United States signed an agreement Tuesday rescheduling about \$195 million of Turkish debts to the U.S.

Signing the accord, U.S. Ambassador Ronald Spiers said it was aimed at giving breathing space to the new government of Premier Suleyman Demirel in its struggle to overcome Turkey's economic crisis.

The \$195 million would have been due for repayment by the end of June next year. Under Tuesday's agreement, \$29 million is to be repaid by April 1981 and the remaining \$166 million in semi-annual installments between 1983 and 1988.

The average interest on the rescheduled payments will be 6.7 percent, they added.



MESSAGE: King Khalid receives Malaysian Foreign Minister Ahmad Rezaudin Tuesday. The minister delivered a message to the King from Malaysian leaders.

Malaysian foreign minister delivers message to Khalid

By Farouk Luqman

JEDDAH, Dec. 11 — King Khalid received Malaysian Foreign Minister Ahmad Rezaudin in Riyadh Tuesday, one day after the minister said in Jeddah that forging good relations with Saudi Arabia is "one of the pillars of Malaysian foreign policy."

At the meeting with the King, Rezaudin delivered a message from Malaysia's King and prime minister. The meeting in Riyadh was attended by Special Adviser Dr. Rashad Pharaon and Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Thunayan.

In an interview with *Arab News*, Rezaudin said, as Muslims, the people of Malaysia have a lot in common with those of Saudi Arabia, and that is only one reason the two countries should maintain strong and friendly ties.

Rezaudin left Riyadh for Kuala Lumpur after his meeting with King Khalid.

In their message to the King, King Yahya Petra and Prime Minister Hussein bin Onn expressed the Malaysian peoples' condemnation of the occupation of the Holy Haram in Mecca and their appreciation for the government's handling of the situation.

It also expressed the solidarity of the two governments and people and their mutual desires for continued good relations, a Malaysian spokesman said.

The spokesman said the meeting with King Khalid went very well and that the King had asked Rezaudin to convey his best wishes and thanks to the Malaysian King and prime minister.

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Malaysia has already expressed its concern over the situation there, he said, and all countries in the region are anxious to see a solution to the agony.

PORT: A recent picture of Beirut Port, once the busiest in the Middle East, where 12 workers were injured Tuesday by sniping fire.

BEIRUT, Dec. 11 (AP) Snipers opened fire on workers in Beirut's Port Tuesday, injuring twelve persons and setting two cars ablaze, the state radio said. In southern Lebanon, Israeli jets made low passes over Palestinian strongholds.

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Western nations pledge oil cuts

PARIS, Dec. 11 (R) — Major Western oil consuming countries and Japan have set country-by-country oil import limits for 1980, and resolved to adjust them as needed to keep oil supply demand in balance.

The 30-nation International Energy Agency (IEA) put an overall ceiling of 23.1 million barrels a day on imports next year.

IEA ministers also approved an import target of 24.6 million barrels a day for 1985 and called a further ministerial meeting at the end of March at the latest to check progress in their oil saving drive.

The ministers will then make sure that member countries are sticking to their pledges and impose stricter limits if supplies are even shorter than now expected.

Thereafter, the IEA governing board will meet every three months to monitor the oil economy programme and make appropriate adjustments, a communique issued at the end of the one day Monday meeting said.

U.S. Energy Secretary Charles Duncan told correspondents "We have agreed on a mechanism that should help to bring oil supplies and demands into balance on a continuing basis. We hope OPEC countries will respond when forming their pricing and supply policies."

It was the first time since the organization was founded in 1974 that IEA ministers set import limits for individual countries. Delegates said the move was timed as a signal to OPEC's session in Caracas next week that industrial nations mean business in curbing their appetite for oil.

Duncan said, "We have shown more evidence of determination to constrain our collective demand than ever before. This is something which should please the OPEC moderates."

The communique said the ministers "noted with concern the turbulent development of the world oil market in 1979 and the continuing uncertainties about oil supplies which posed a severe threat to the health of the world economy."

"The IEA countries are determined to make their contribution to restoring order and reducing pressure on the world oil market," it said.

The IEA decided to call immediate ministerial meetings if any country exceeded import limits or if there were major changes in the supply situation.

The conference chairman, West Germany's Economic Minister Otto Lambsdorff, said "we cannot send an energy minister to jail if his country gets out of line" but he was sure no government would want to face the questioning and reproaches of fellow IEA members.

He said the IEA had no illusions about the extent of the problem consumer countries would face in 1980. They could expect no improvement in supplies, but rather higher prices and greater shortages.

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King Khaled visits soldiers hurt in Mecca

RIYADH, Dec. 11 (SPA) — King Khaled Monday visited casualties of the Holy Haram incident under treatment at the Armed Forces Hospital here.

The King was accompanied by Crown Prince Fahd, Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan, Deputy Minister of the Interior Prince Ahmad and a number of ulama and cabinet ministers. He was met at the hospital by Chief of Staff Gen. Othman Al-Humaid.

As soon as he arrived, the King visited the wounded, shaking hands and chatting with each and asking how they felt.

The King praised the bravery of the injured in repelling the invaders of the shrine and told them that their wounds were the greatest medals for them and their country, and that God will reserve the greatest reward for them.

The King thanked the heroes for their valor, their faith and their sacrifice. He spoke of his gratitude to God and his admiration for the men when he signed the hospital's visitors book. He also commended the readiness of the hospital for treating emergency cases.

The victims were also visited Tuesday by two other prominent members of the royal family. Deputy Commander of the National Guard Prince Badr, on behalf of Prince Abdullah, and Governor of Mecca Prince Fawaz.

The government meanwhile issued Tuesday a regulation drafted on King Khaled's orders, for looking after the families of those killed while defending the Mosque. It also provides for assistance and awards to soldiers disabled and wounded in the fighting.

Widows and orphans are to be paid pensions for the rank above that of their dead husbands and fathers, as well as being given generous cash grants to buy housing. Grants are to be given to the wounded soldiers, and the regulations also allow for their promotion. Both martyrs and the wounded are to be decorated.

Martyred soldiers will be promoted to the rank immediately above the one they held at their deaths, and pension rights for widows and orphans are to be assessed at the new rank. For six months from Nov. 20, the date of the attack, their dependents will be paid a monthly allowance until pension rights are determined.

The widow and orphan of a martyred officer will receive SR800,000. If he was a bachelor or if he was married but childless his heirs will receive SR600,000. The heirs of married men with children from the ranks will be given SR600,000 bachelors and

husbands without children SR400,000. The money is intended to allow the heirs to buy a house in the Kingdom.

The government is examining the cases of Saudi Arabian bystanders killed and injured and those of the civilian police working in or around the Holy Haram or in any other office connected with the events, and members of the public who took part in the fighting.

It has meanwhile been reported that there was no serious structural damage to the Holy Mosque during the attack three weeks ago.

Al-Riyadh Tuesday quoted Sheikh Nasser ibn Hamad Al-Rashed, the head of the affairs of the two Haramain as saying that large and well-equipped security forces have been detailed to guard the Holy Haram in future. A closed television circuit to control the Haram will also be installed, a project planned before the incident.

He said that the Haram protection forces will be led by Lt. Gen. Jaber Abdul Hafiz, commander of the Pilgrimage Security forces.

He also denied rumors that the golden doors of the Kaaba and the Black Stone had been damaged during the attack.

He denied too, rumors that the Holy Prophet's Mosque in Medina had suffered a similar simultaneous attack. Officials in Medina had taken measures in time. As soon as the attack on the Haram took place and he was informed of it, he got in touch with his representative in Medina, who in turn contacted Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen. The prince immediately had security forces cordon off the mosque and search everyone entering it.

The Ministry of the Interior meanwhile announced Monday the names of innocent bystanders killed or injured in the attack. Of the 26 killed, three were women. There were 110 injured. Nine of the dead could not be identified.

Minister Prince Naif said in a statement that the casualties were a result of an attack on the Holy Haram by a group of deviators in the early morning of Tuesday Nov. 20, the first day of the new Hijra century.

They sieged the main building and minarets of the Great Mosque, and opened fire on worshippers inside and people outside the mosque, shattering its holiness, because the worshippers refused to recognize the man they proclaimed as the Mahdi.

Saudi Arabians and pilgrims or worshippers were injured or killed. Prince Naif expressed his profound condolences to the families



VISIT: King Khaled Tuesday visits the wounded in the battle for the Holy Haram in Mecca in the Armed Forces Hospital in Riyadh.

of the martyrs, and prayed for fast recovery for those injured.

He said the Saudi Arabians killed were Khaled Suleiman Najab, Yusuf Yunus Mirdi, Zain Abdullah Al-Shihri and Faisal Khalif Al-Oteibi.

Pakistanis: Fazal Hadi Imam, Malika Bakhtiar, Haji Abdul Rahman Razan and Malik Muhammad Luqman.

Indonesians: Hanan Hasan Al-Basri, Ismail Kand, and Ali Osman Osman.

Indians: Ismail Abdul Shukoor, Zuhair Muhammad Naqir, Zaheer Muhammad and Fatima Mohammed Bibi.

Egyptian: Atiya Ahmad Ahmad.

Burma: Islam Abdul Shukoor Mohsin.

Residents of the Kingdom wounded, included: Fuad Zamzami, Said Saleh Al-Ghamdi, Muhammad Ahmad Faqih, Muhammad Abdul Rahman Nasir Omar, Muhammad Mutarifi, Muhammad Al-Yafi, Khaled Muhammad Saadoon, Khalil Ibrahim Sharif, Shaker Mohsen Fahmi Al-Harbi, Ibrahim Ismail Muhammad Noor Ashkar, Muhammad Siraj Ramzan, Yusuf Yunus Nida, Elias Abdul Muna, Aziz Abdullah Omar Muhammad Ahmad, Ghazi Sulaiman Al-Harabi, Muhammad Yusuf Hajjaj, Bakr Nuh Muhammad Falata, Ali Hassan Al-Zubairi, Yahya Ali Hussain Jizani, Ahmad Khamis Al-Harabi, Abbas Abdullah Al-Dosari, Ali Muhammad Ibrahim Hussain Ahmad, Abdul Alim Ahmad Maghrabi, Muhammad Hameed Al-Harabi, Muhammad Ahmad Hajj, Ali Omar Ghazali, Ismail Kabeer Ahmad Idris Rajab.

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Egypt: Muhammad Mughabi Abdul Qader Maghrabi, Muhammad Mousa Mustapha, Omar Abdul Latif, Gaisani Hussain Abdul Ghani, Abo Al-Majd Muhammad Abo Al-Nour, Hassan Muhammad Abdul Latif, Qatab Muhammad Ibrahim, Abdul Fatah Abdul Qader, Khaled Taha Ibrahim, Muhammad Hussain Muhammad, Abbas Muhammad Omar and Abdul Salam Abdul Jawad.

North Yemen: Rashed Abdullah Yahya, Saleh Khadam Haidar, Haidar Muhammad Ali, Abdullah Sharrifuddin, Ali Said Al-Hamly, Ali Said Al-Yamani, Muhammad Ali Hassan Hamdi, Ali Muhammad Abdullah, Abdu Muhammad Ghaleb, Ali

Muhammad Musleh, and Hussain Muhammad Al-Yamani. India: Abdul Haq Abdul Rasul, Muhammad Saleem Muhammad Ali, Saleh Muhammad Ali, Muhammad Amis, Muriya Imam El Din, Doubar Ali Shagdar Ali.

Indonesia: Dunya Aqeeb, Anbari Elias, Isma Ahmad Zetoi, Imam Yahya Mamoun Ashmouni.

Burma: Elias Abdul Manan Burmawi, Omar Ibrahim Babekr, Muhammad Amin Halwani.

Nigeria: Saleh Mousa Ibrahim and Adem Muhammad.

Somalia: Rahwa Sheikh Allah Maali and Gamar Asmara.

Turkey: Ali Kousteshen and Muharam Balbish.

Ethiopia: Muhammad Jamal Dako, Kuwait: Muhammad Abdul Rahman.

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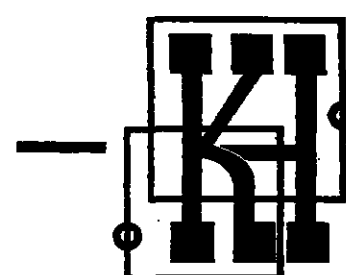
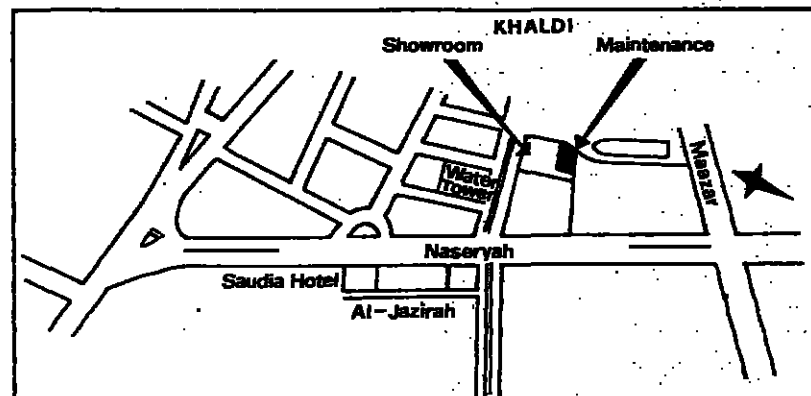
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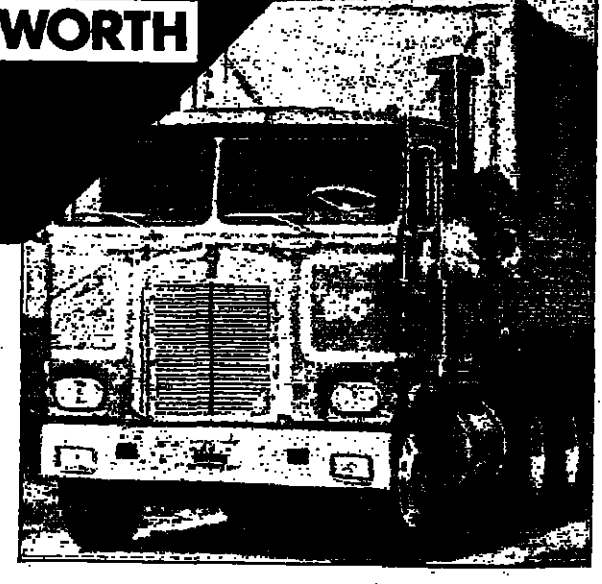
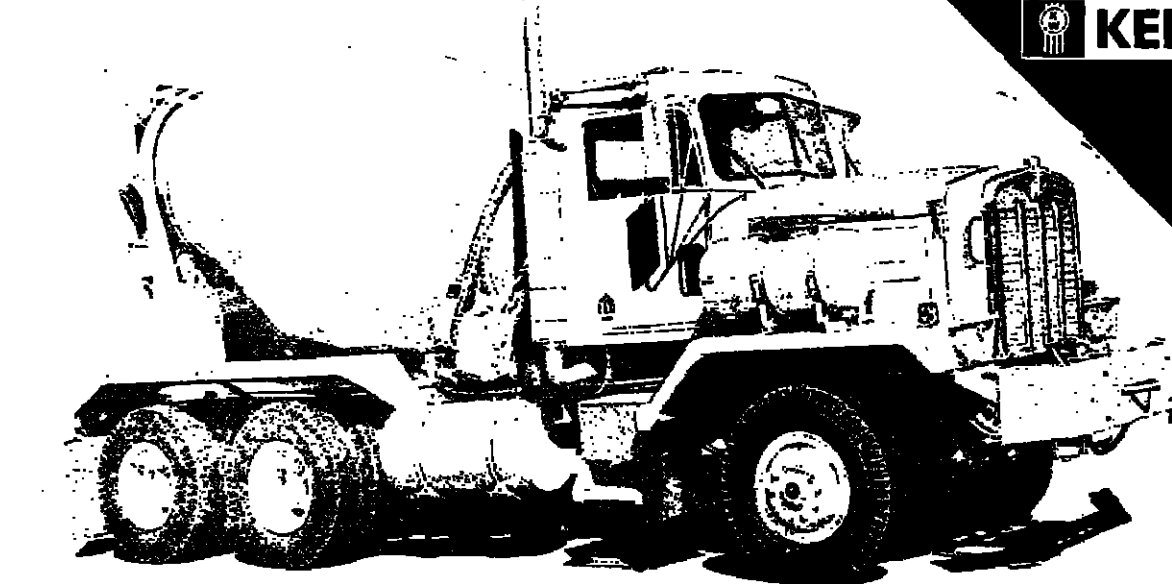
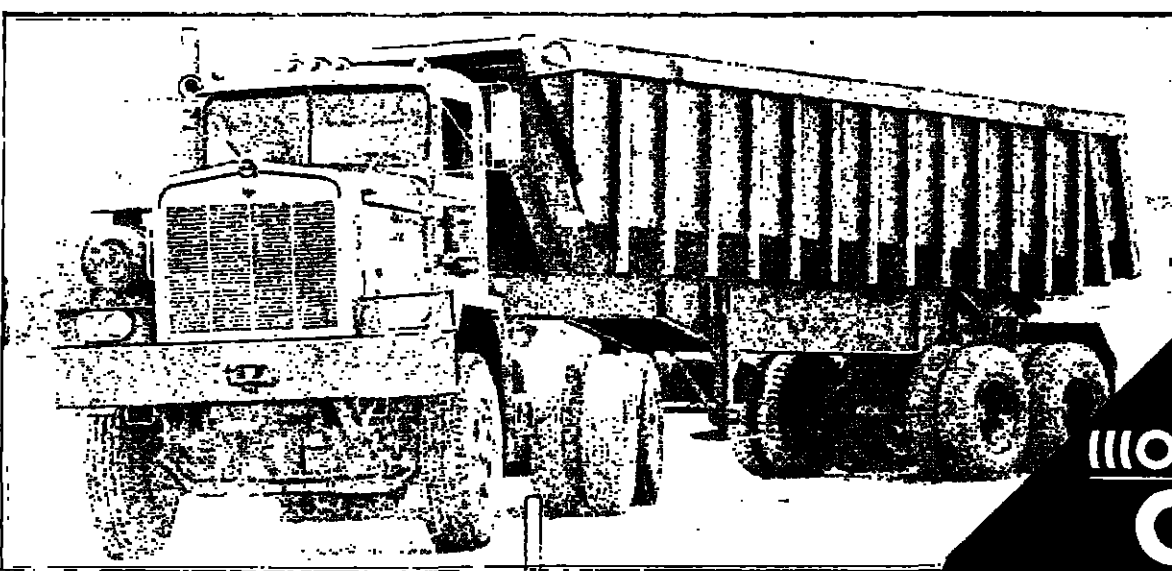
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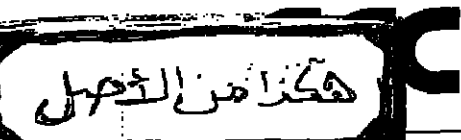


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On economic order

Brandt committee leaves after talks

By James Rochan

JEDDAH, Dec. 11 — A Commission of experts led by West Germany's former Chancellor Willy Brandt left the Kingdom late Monday night after sounding Saudi Arabian government views on the deadlocked discussions on international trade and economy between the industrial and developing countries.

The Brandt commission, which included the former British and Swedish prime ministers, Edward Heath and Olaf Palme, held a day of talks with senior ministers Monday and dined with Crown Prince Fahd. They arrived from Kuwait, where members of the commission met the ruler, Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, and other officials.

The commission was formed on the initiative of Robert MacNamara, president of the World Bank, in an effort to break the logjam in discussions between North and South, as Heath told *Arab News*. The specialized commission, which includes representatives of the major world economic groups, held its first meeting in December 1977. This weekend, it is set to meet in Leeds Castle, southern England, to prepare a final report for the United Nations.

The actual North-South Dialogue, held in Paris in 1976, ended in stalemate and recrimination over Third World efforts to achieve a significant shift in the world trade balance in its favor in "A New World Economic Order". Subsequent meetings, most recently the Manila UNCTAD conference on trade, have been no more successful.

After a meeting with the commission late Monday evening, Foreign Affairs Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal said: "Saudi Arabia believes that there is no way to solve the acute economic problems facing mankind and endangering its present and future except through constructive dialogue."

"The established world economic order has failed and is still unable to produce the required reform for the future," he said.

"They want a resumption of the

dialogue as much as we do," Heath said. "But I got the impression that Saudi Arabia, and it was no different in Kuwait and Bahrain, are waiting for real concessions on the northern side over the transfer of resources. They will be looking at the report we come out with on Sunday night," he said.

Prince Saud said that the commission's preliminary report "had got to the underlying causes of the problems."

Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail, who attended the commission's meeting with the Crown Prince, said that the Kingdom had made clear that global reform is needed and that the burden of concession is on the industrial world.

But Heath said: "It was shown both at the dialogue and at Manila that nobody is making effective concessions, taking effective decisions."

"The dialogue has to be restarted if the world economy is not to deteriorate further. But how do we remedy the lack of will? How do we remove misunderstandings? For example, the OPEC countries believe they are being blamed unfairly; the OECD countries think they are being strangled by oil price rises."

The question of energy where there is a real northern desire for dialogue, causes its own problems. Saudi Arabia has consistently refused to discuss energy outside the framework of general Third World raw materials. "There is no change in the Saudi position," Heath said.



SHOW : People through the Motor Show in Jeddah, looking at the 1980 models on display.

To promote private manufacturing

Riyadh joint industrial panel set up

RIYADH, Dec. 11 (SPA) — Industrialists and members of the board of Riyadh Chamber of Commerce and Industry Monday agreed to form a joint panel. It will help the chamber look after the interests of industry and solve its problems, as well as help national industry row.

It will be headed by Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Touq, the deputy chairman of Riyadh Chamber of Commerce, and will have a board of seven members. They will pursue and report to the chamber on

the result of government decisions to protect Saudi Arabian industry.

The members are Sulaiman Al-Ghadi, Abdul Maqsood Khawja, Ali Al-Shihri, Omair Al-Omar, Nahedh Abdul Aziz Al-Nahedh, Yusuf Al-Tuwajerri and Abdullah Al-Aly Al-Sane.

Panel and the chamber will carry out publicity campaigns to promote Saudi Arabian industry, and it will work to emphasize the role of industry in the national economy.

It will also report to the

chamber on the situation of industry, its problems of unsatisfactory production, marketing or its needs for manpower.

Meanwhile, in Jubail, a meeting was held Monday to discuss the opportunities provided by the government to the private sector to participate in development at the planned industrial city.

The meeting was attended by representatives of the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu, the Saudi Basic Industries Corporation, the Ministry of Industry and Electricity, Petroleum, the Saudi Industrial Development Fund and the Saudi Ports Authority.

A number of businessmen also attended the meeting.

Labor offices licenses ready

RIYADH, Dec. 11 (SPA) — The Labor and Social Affairs Ministry has started to issue licenses for opening private labor import offices in all Saudi Arabian cities.

The proposal had been approved by the Council of Ministers in order to provide pools of laborers of various skills and to control already high wages. The offices will be supervised by the Labor and Social Affairs Ministry. There will be 15 or 20 in each big city, and fewer in smaller towns.

1980 models on display

Motor show opens in Jeddah

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Dec. 11 — The Kingdom's second motor show opened Monday night at the Jeddah Expo Center. It lasts ten days, and displays products from most of the major car companies as well as buses, trucks, pick-ups and some construction equipment.

To whet the appetite, Clay Regazzoni's Al Bilad Saudia world championship racing car is on display. The No. 28 car built by Williams Engineering took him to fifth place overall. His team-mate Alan Jones came third in an identical car. Their phenomenal success in the second half of the last Grand Prix season stunned fans.

Next year's Datsun 280Z will be attractive. It holds much the same sleek lines as before, with new features like removable roof-windows. It is expected to cost around SR34,000.

The show's major feature, however, is the European return to the market. Both Fiat and BMW are back, promising prestige and style, as well as excellent back-up services in view of both their brief, unsuccessful pasts in the Kingdom.

Datsun and Toyota have new models for their popular lines in the Kingdom, and Datsun is offering a new SR26,000,280 cars first prize in a lottery from the SR1 entrance tickets.

The show is open until Dec. 21. Fiat is offering its little 131.

1600 cc motor for around SR 19,000, as well as its Racing 2000 counterpart for SR 23,500. The latter won the world rally championships in 1977 and 1978. It was not entered this year, as efforts were concentrated on Lancia which will be introduced to the Kingdom later this year, together with a few Ferraris.

BMW promises to be popular. Several sales were already made at the Show's opening on Monday night. But precision engineering, specialized safety design and "the sheer driving pleasure" advertising catchline emphasised by officials all come at a cost. The top 3.5 litre 735i model on offer will be around SR 90,000. (Prices for all new cars are still inexact as companies have not yet been able to work them out with the authorities.)

But BMW's competitor, Mer-

cedes, was not represented as models will not arrive for months. A disappointingly list of other cars was also absent. Mazda, Volvo, British Leyland, Citroen and Peugeot.

The Second Motor Show comes only ten months after first, which may have put some exhibitors off. But Nadim Barakat of *Sport Auto magazine*, who organized the fair for Al Harbi said over 75,000 are expected to visit the ten-day show. Two weeks in February drew 120,000.

It was timed to coincide with arrival of 1980's new models. General Motors, which claims the largest share of the Saudi market in 1979, is offering a range of new cars and models including SR75,000 Cadillac Seville, first North American car with diesel engine (gasoline optional).

WEATHER

It will be fine during the day and cool at night in most areas. Clouds will cover parts of the northern and western regions. Winds will be moderate to light and mostly southerly. They will be northerly in the western region. Seas will be calm to moderate.

Tuesday's temperatures (Maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	30	20	Jizan	30	23
Jeddah	29	21	Wajh	26	17
Riyadh	27	12	Turaif	14	05
Dhahran	24	13	Arar	16	07
Medina	26	13	Sulayyeh	28	12
Taif	21	11	Abha	21	08

Saudi Comment

By Ibrahim Al-Dualej

Al-Medina

A few days ago I published the story of a woman whose relatives were killed and injured in a car accident on the Abha to Jeddah road, when no one stopped to help her until it was too late. By the time a motorist offered help, her husband had died to death. Most of those who stopped said they were afraid of being delayed for questioning by the traffic police.

I was surprised when some readers told me that they understood that attitude. They said that despite the clear instructions of Interior Minister Prince Naif and his Deputy Minister Prince Ahmad not to harass rescuers by unnecessary interrogation

about accidents, there is still a great deal of interrogation to go through at the hands of junior officers.

Another reader said he was present when a man was knocked down by a car in the center of Jeddah. Very soon a police car arrived but the men in it would not let any bystander help the victim because the ambulance was on its way. They said that it was the job of the ambulance men and not of bystanders to render any help. The ambulance arrived a bit too late, for the victim had died by then.

I am sure that this and other examples of this kind are simply uncommon irresponsible attitudes, but we hope that the authorities will clarify the matter for our information.

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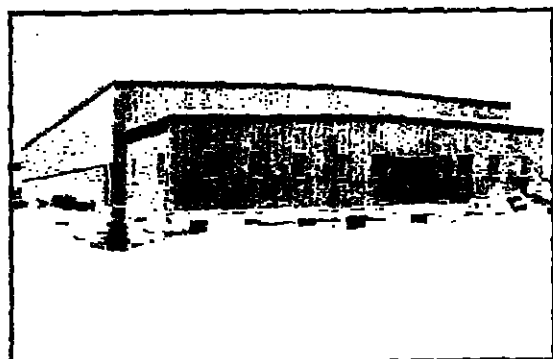
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Egypt, Israel to exchange envoys next February, Sadat reiterates

CAIRO, Dec. 11 (Agencies)—President Anwar Sadat has reiterated that Egypt and Israel will exchange ambassadors next February, the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported. It said Sadat told a meeting of Egyptian press editors Monday the exchange of ambassadors would take place one month after the completion of the interim Israeli withdrawal from Sinai Peninsula scheduled for Jan. 25. By then, Egypt will have regained two thirds of Sinai.

Sadat said Egypt was serious in its peace efforts and "will not be affected by any hysterical behavior on the part of the rejectionist countries," MENA added.

The majority of Arab countries severed ties with Egypt over the peace treaty it concluded with

Israel last March.

Sadat also reiterated Egypt's nonaligned policy and said: "Our allegiance is to Egypt only. We are neither pro-Soviet Union nor pro-United States."

"I have once attacked the Soviet Union for the sake of Egypt and I will attack America also for the sake of Egypt if need be," the agency quoted him as having said.

In another development, Egypt has suggested that the next round of talks on Palestinian autonomy could take place in Egypt at the end of this month.

The meeting, to discuss autonomy for the 1.2 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, was due to take place in Tel Aviv last week.

But Egypt asked for a postponement because Egypt's chief representative at the talks, Prime

Minister Mustapha Khalil, was tied up preparing the new budget for presentation to the People's Assembly (parliament) this week.

The two sides last met in Tel Aviv from Nov. 14 to 20. President Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Begin are due to meet in Aswan, Upper Egypt, on Jan. 7.

In Tel Aviv meanwhile, President Jimmy Carter's special envoy to the Middle East said Monday that after talks with Sadat and Begin, he was convinced that both leaders were sincere in their efforts to reach peace in the Middle East.

Sol Linowitz was speaking to newsmen after a two-hour meeting with Begin on Sunday. He held talks with Sadat in Cairo.

Linowitz described the purpose of his visit as "more to listen and learn than to talk or listen."

Row develops over Jewish settlement

TEL AVIV, Dec. 11 (R).—Disagreement has flared between Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and militant Jewish settlers over the evacuation of the controversial settlement of Elon Moreh on the occupied West Bank.

Settlers were reported to have said Sunday they would not move to a new site from Elon Moreh, which the supreme court ordered dismantled after Palestinian landowners complained that their property had been seized for a civilian settlement.

Begin and a spokesman for Gush Emunim (faith bloc) Monday gave differing versions of a meeting last week which dealt with the conditions for the move from Elon Moreh, near Nablus.

Begin said: "They promised me they would move. They presented no conditions. They put forward certain ideas — serious ideas which we will consider after the supreme court ruling has been implemented."

But Benny Katzover of Elon Moreh said: "Everything is in writing. We presented the prime minister with a detailed memorandum expressing our readiness to leave once the legal status of the West Bank is clarified in a manner to allow Jewish settlement through the area. It was not a condition but Mr. Begin agreed with our analysis."

Israel radio quoted Katzover saying the settlers would refuse to move until the government assured the legal status of Jewish settlements in the occupied area.



MEET THE PRESS: Egyptian President Anwar Sadat (left) and newly appointed United States Middle East envoy Sol Linowitz, answer newsmen's questions at a press conference in Cairo Sunday following their meeting.

PLO's Malta office threatened

BEIRUT, Dec. 11 (AP)—The Palestine Liberation Organization charged Monday that Libyan employees working in Malta have threatened to occupy the PLO's office in that country. The PLO-run news agency said the threat was made in a letter addressed to the PLO representative in the Mediterranean island.

The agency did not disclose the reasons for the alleged threat which follows the deportation from Libya on Sunday of PLO representative in Tripoli Suleiman Shourfa. Shourfa's deportation climaxed a three-day siege of the PLO office in the Libyan capital by Libyan forces.

Zia urged to lift press censorship

KARACHI, Dec. 11 (R)—Pakistani newspaper workers have appealed to the government to lift censorship, restore the publication of banned newspapers and withdraw a proposed amendment in the defamation law. A joint meeting of the all Pakistan newspaper employees confederation and the Karachi union of journalists Monday also demanded the release of two detained journalists. A communique issued after the meeting called for the release of Salamat Ali, correspondent of the Hong Kong-based *Far Eastern Economic Review* and Bashir Ahmad Rana, editor of the Pakistani daily *Sada-qa*.

Bangladesh, India to hold talks

DACCA, Dec. 11 (R)—Bangladesh and India will hold talks in New Delhi this week over a border dispute in which troops from both sides have opened fire in the last few weeks, official sources said. The disputed area lies along the banks of the River Muhuri where both sides claim territorial rights to a rice paddy.

British minister visits Israel

TEL AVIV, Dec. 11 (R)—British Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs Douglas Hurd arrived in Israel Monday for a three-day visit during a Middle East tour. He told newsmen at the airport: "I want to get the feel of things here in Israel and to explain how the British government feels about developments in this area." He will be meeting Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Energy Minister Yitzhak Mordechai.

Kyprianou, Karamanlis end talks

ATHENS, Dec. 11 (R)—President Spyros Kyprianou of Cyprus flew home from Athens Tuesday after two rounds of talks with Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis on the Cyprus question. The two leaders said after Tuesday's meeting that they had reviewed the Cyprus problem and had reached the same viewpoint about the future handling of the question.

New editor for Al Ahram named

CAIRO, Dec. 11 (R)—President Anwar Sadat has appointed Ibrahim Nafeh editor of the authoritative Cairo newspaper *Al-Ahram* in succession to the late Ali Hamdi Gammal who died two months ago. Nafeh, formerly the newspaper's economic editor, had been acting editor since Gammal's death of a heart attack while on a visit to Washington.

North Yemen leader stresses democracy

SANAA, Dec. 11 (R)—President Ali Abdullah Saleh of North Yemen has again voiced his support for a democratic rule in his country.

In a statement published Monday by the fortnightly magazine *Al-Tashik*, organ of the "corrective movement," he said it was the right of the people to vote freely in the coming general elections.

Saleh made no hint as to when the general elections were expected to be held but said: "There is no alternative for democracy and the full freedom of the Yemenis."

Any union with South Yemen would be achieved in accordance with the free will of the Yemeni people in both North and South, he added.

Meanwhile, former North Yemeni Prime Minister Mohsen Al-Ayni has been appointed ambassador to the United Nations under a presidential decree issued here Monday.

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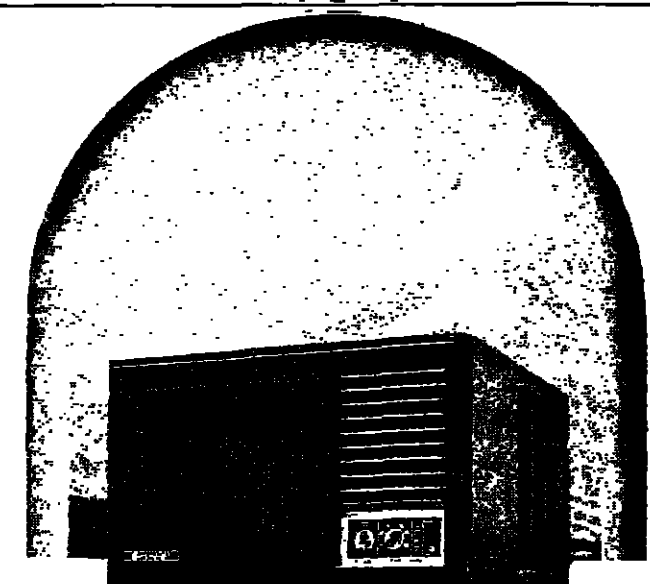


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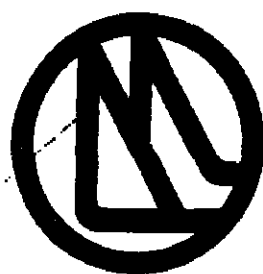
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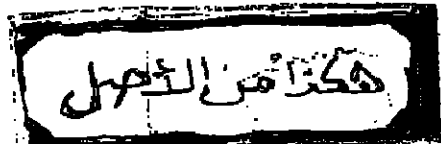
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Strangers and brothers

by RICHARD HARWOOD

SALISBURY. — On a mid-
hit approach to Salisbury air-
t, the jet descends in a wild
tem to avoid the slight chance
ground fire. Cabin lights are
shades are drawn. Someone
ns over and says with a chuckle:
'We are landing at Salisbury.
ra your watch back 40 years. Or
t 50?'

Within a day or two you get the
e. The first impressions are
niscient of the rural South I
w as a boy in the 1930s. Black
ids houseboys, earning \$20 to \$
a month, fetch and bow, saying
laster' and 'Boss.' Black
orers, working for \$12 to \$20 a
nth plus rations, cluster in grass
s on the white farmer's land,
the Mississippi sharecroppers
the past.

'They are like children,' a
sewife says. 'You have to do

everything for them. You have to
stand over them to get anything
done. It's more trouble than it's
worth sometimes. But they are
very happy people. It's not like
South Africa.'

A young woman asks if we have
a dishwasher, a clothes washer and
a dryer. She laughs and says, 'You
know what we call them here?
'Kaffirs' (which means infidel,
but in common usage is the equi-
valent of 'nigger').

Again, I think of Una, Tennes-
see, 1939.

There are other racial dimen-
sions.

In the cities, members of the
growing black middle class patron-
ize hotels and restaurants and bars
in handsome dress, laughing and
bantering with the whites. They
are government officials, profes-
sors, journalists, politicians,
businessmen, shop clerks, account-
ants and soldiers. They live, in

growing numbers, in the green
suburbs with swimming pools,
Mercedes cars, white neighbors,
and maids and houseboys.

A black dentist calls one day to
invite me to a 'sundowner,' and
to meet a new figure on the politi-
cal scene. He is black and lives in
the suburbs. There are a couple of
hundred guests, black and white,
milling around on the patio bathed
with sound from the stereo.

It is an American-style subur-
ban cocktail party — canapes,
cheeses and various kinds of
drink, except for whiskey, which is
hard to find in this country.

There is a lot of joking about
CIA money in the new candidate's
campaign and one of his managers
remarks:

'You see how untrue that is. If
the CIA was behind us, we'd have
scotch.'

The next day in a cabinet office,
a white secretary is talking to the

black minister: 'Your son called
again, sir, and I told him we would
have him picked up. I hope your
wife didn't have other plans, sir,
but I couldn't reach her.'

An irreverent thought comes to
mind: Ebony magazine, the suc-
cess mirror of the black American
middle class, could do a great
spread here in Salisbury, which is
more than you can say for Una,
Tennessee.

For 15 years this country has
been boycotted by the world: no
exports, no imports. One would
thus expect a threadbare society,
moving on bicycles and burros,
but in the cities it's more like sub-
urban America.

The streets are full of Italian,
German and French cars. The
shops are crammed with goods.
The per capita ownership of
swimming pools must be among
the highest in the world. Prices are
absurdly low. A meal for four in a
three-star restaurant is less than \$
25, wine and drinks included.
Three journalists in this 'hardship
post' rent a three-bedroom house
with pool, tennis courts and ser-
vants for about \$250 a month.

Sanctions-busting is a fine art.
The South African connection, of
course, has been crucial; they
share common borders.

But there is more to it than that.
More than 1,000 home-grown
industries have sprung up to fill
the void, and Zimbabwe-
Rhodesian aircraft roam the
world, collecting everything from
arms to toiletries.

'You can buy anything you
want,' Air Marshal M. J. McLaren
said. 'Helicopters, fighters,
you name it. It's on the market.
The only question is price.'

I visited one of the young pilots
who flies a DC-8 to mysterious
ports of call, including Amster-
dam. His bachelor home is spec-
tacular, filled with the latest stereo
equipment, contemporary furni-
ture, fine liquor and oriental car-
pets. From the patio we look out
on the pool and tennis court, sip
whiskey.

War is hell.
It is different in the beautiful
and tortured countryside. People
are dying and living with the fear
of death. This is not a simple
struggle between black
'Liberationists' and a 'white rul-
ing class.'

It isn't the whites who bear the
brunt of this war. It is the blacks on
the opposing sides. In seven years
of fighting perhaps 800 or 900
whites have been killed, more
than half of them civilians. But
nearly 20,000 blacks have died,

including thousands of civilian vic-
tims of the guerrilla forces. Other
hundreds — or thousands — of
black civilians have been killed by
government troops in crossfire or
as 'collaborators.'

The black masses here are not
visibly in active or even passive
revolt against the Salisbury gov-
ernment. They provide the labor
force for the mines and factories
and farms. Thousands are in gov-
ernment jobs, providing civil
administration in the countryside.

They provide 80 per cent of the
troops for the armed forces, take
80 per cent of the casualties and
engage in many of the dirtier jobs
of the war, including harrowing
external raids against guerrilla
bases in Zambia and Mozambi-
que.

So the war is a joint enterprise,
white and black against a common
enemy, the Patriotic Front, whose
support in the bush could be mas-
sive or minimal. No one knows.

There was an incident on the
road out of Fort Victoria a couple
of weeks ago. A white and a black
soldier were clearing a Patriotic
Front roadblock. They touched
off land mine, were blown off their
feet, stunned and wounded by fly-
ing rocks. As they were brought
out and patched up, the white sol-
dier stood over the black, yelling:
'We're all right, Kenny, we're
all right. By God, we're
Rhodesians, Kenny.'

Kenny gave a cool wave and
smiled.

Battlefield brotherhood.
There is also battlefield dis-
crimination. The Rhodesian Afri-
can Rifles are an all-black regi-
ment, except for a cadre of white
officers. An RAR private gets
about \$100 a month.

The Rhodesian Light Infantry
and the Special Air Services (para-
troopers) are all-white outfits.
They pay their privates \$200 a
month.

Many of the RLI and SAS
recruits are foreigners — Ameri-
cans, South Africans, Frenchmen,
New Zealanders, Canadians and
Australians.

There is no accurate count of
these foreigners. The estimates
range from 400 to about 1,000.

Three Commando (companies)
of the RLI had six men killed
recently. Three were Rhodesian,
one Canadian and two American.

Call them 'mercenaries' at
your peril. They receive, as they
coldly point out, the same pay as
the white Rhodesians — \$200 a
month for a private, \$600 a month
for a captain.

There are many rumors about

the role of the South Africans as
pilots, border guards in the south
and army cadres. Troop 6 of the
RLI's Two Commando has a
strength of about 30 men and
enough South Africans to have the
nickname 'Boere Komman-
doses.' But one runs into few of
them among the troops, and if
there are any large units in the
country, they keep well hidden.

The main South African con-

tribution is in arms, ammunition
and either direct financial support
or easy credit. The war is costing
\$1.5 million a day, and there is cred-
ible evidence that 40 to 50 per
cent comes from Pretoria.

Beyond the city lights and the
helicopter gunships, Africa
endures. Herds roam the hills and
the bush: elephant, leopard, buf-
falo, impala, baboon, kudu. In the
villages the old ways survive. A

man's wealth is still measured by
the number of his cattle and wives,
who hoe and plant the land and
cook and bear babies; the men
have much leisure time for talk
and beer.

The tribal identities also endure
— Shona, Karanga, Zezuru, Man-
yika, N'dau, Kalanga, Korenkore,
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tribal divisions loom large in the
present war and in what may come
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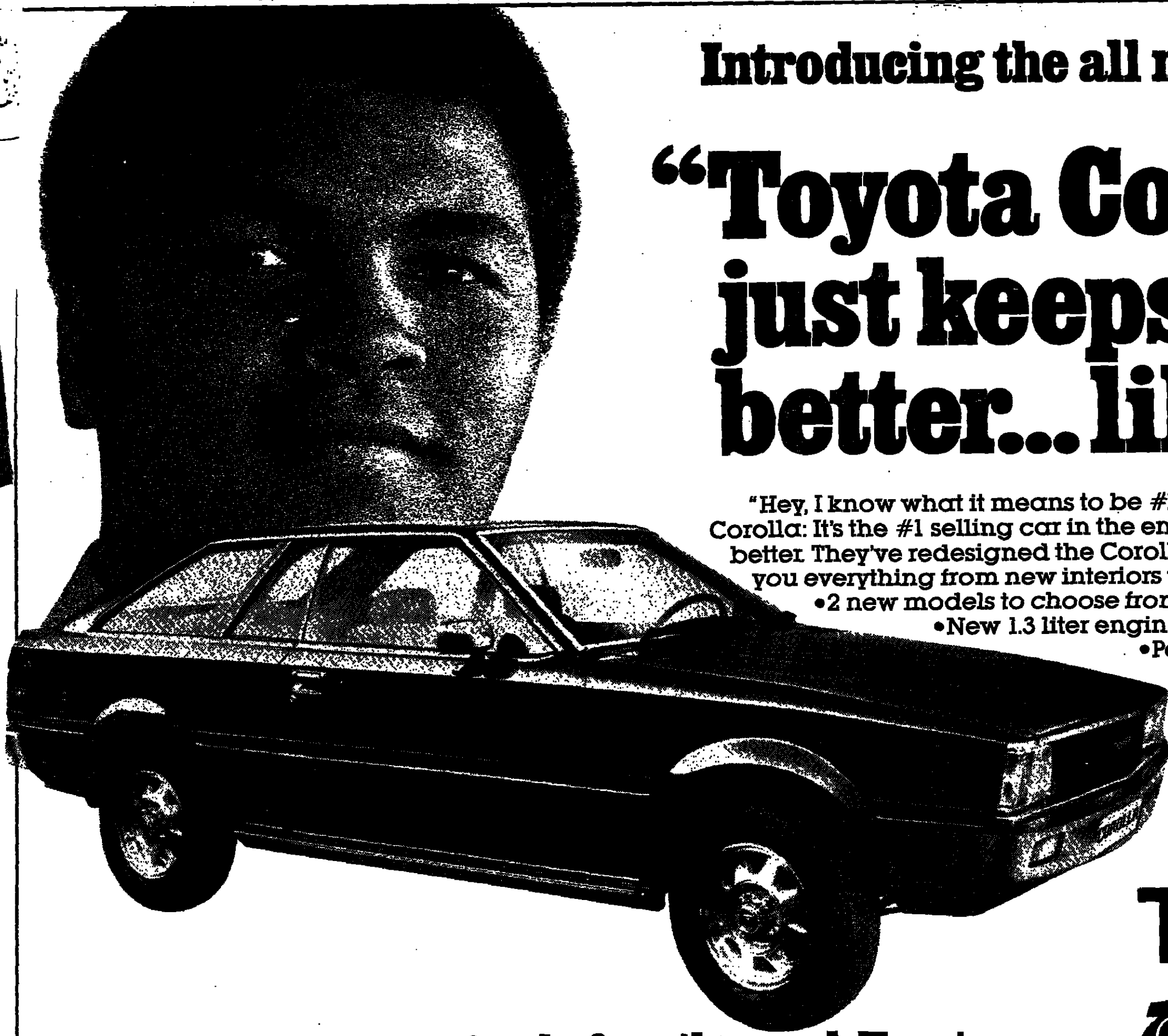
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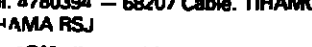
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THANKS, BUT ...

The reports of the Iranian volunteers being trained in Iran in preparation for their departure to the Lebanese South were received with mixed feelings in both popular and official Arab circles. There was on the one hand the welcome due to this further evidence of Iran's willingness to enter the battle against Zionism, to stand against the desecrators of the Holy Places and the tormentors of the Palestinians and the South Lebanese.

On the other hand, there was a certain weariness, a remembrance of the easy Arab enthusiasms of 1948 and after, when volunteers were haphazardly mobilized, and sent to the scene of fighting either too early or too late, with little or no prior planning. We certainly have been that way before; and it would be less than honest to say that we would welcome the repetition of this history. The Arab-Zionist confrontation has moved to different levels by now, one in which such actions would look even more inadequate and out of place.

The major factor determining Arab strategy at present is the gap opened up in the Arab line-up by Sadat's defection. This necessitates a painstaking military build-up on the Eastern front so that the balance, to whatever measure this is possible, is restored. This will take some time. And it is for this reason that both the Baghdad and Tunis summits have agreed not to take up the conflict thrown by the Israelis over South Lebanon until such time as the Arab military and economic reparations are completed.

The Arabs realize that the Israelis were and still are looking for a pretext to invade South Lebanon, this time with a view to more permanent occupation; and that the publicity around the Iranian volunteers plays into their hands in this respect. They also know that the volunteers, should they arrive, would have little military effect, given the kind of war the Israelis wage.

Much bitter experience has taught the Arabs that there are no short cuts in the struggle, that nothing but long term planning and long term action will ensure their rights. This must be conveyed to Iran, with all thanks, of course, and with all hope of its partaking in that long term effort.

A DETERIORATION

The situation in the province of Azerbaijan has deteriorated over the weekend, despite the declared agreement between Ayatollah Shariat Madari, leader of the Turkish speaking province, and Ayatollah Khomeini, Iran's de facto ruler. Ayatollah Khomeini is strong enough to yield a little on the issues raised by Shariat Madari, who is the second strongest religious leader after Khomeini. Yet he will be careful when eliding not to give an impression of weakness or vacillation, straying from his stand as the unrivalled leader of the Iranian revolution.

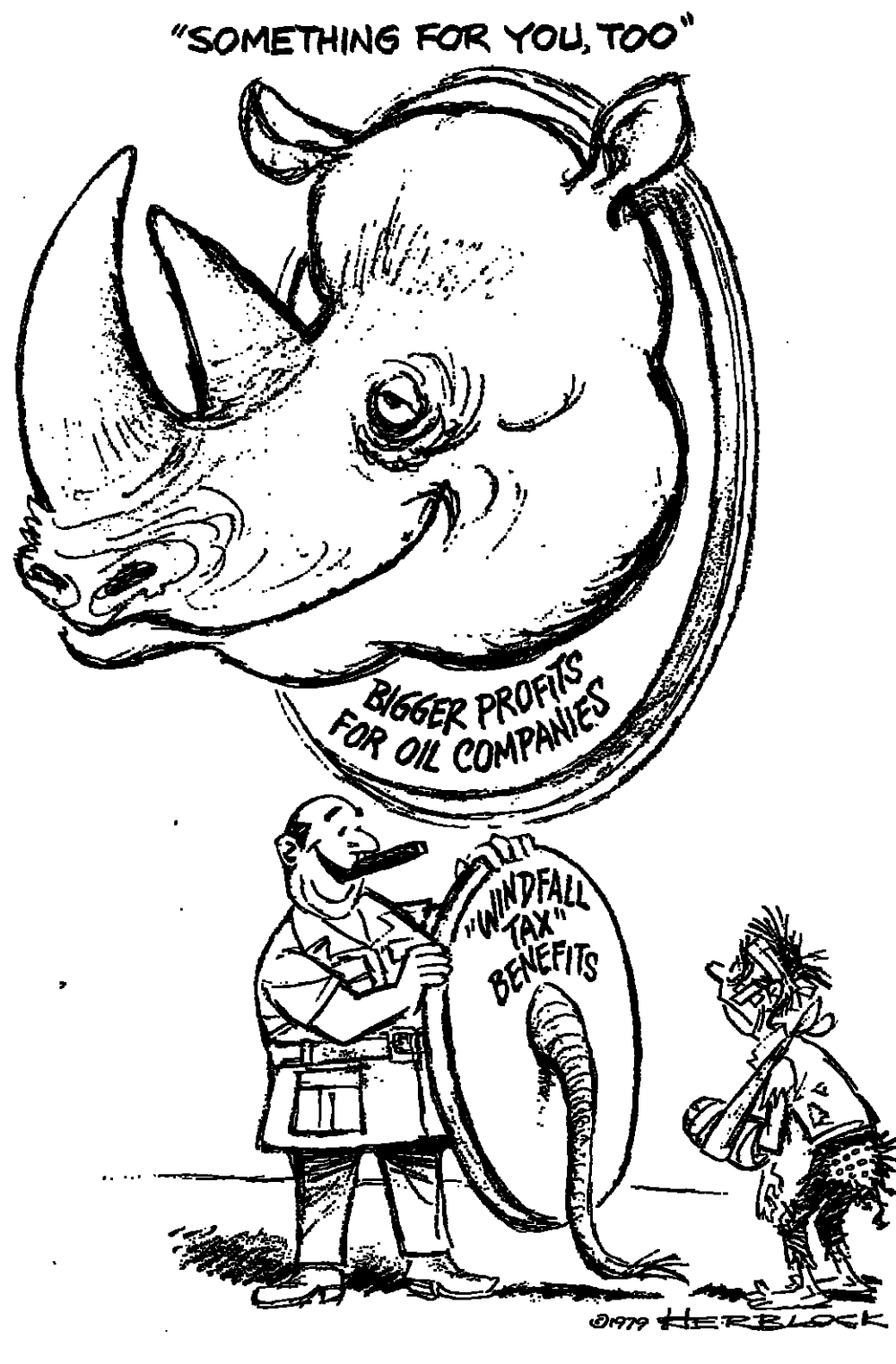
One way of doing this is belittling the scale of the disturbances, and attributing them not to the followers of the opposing Ayatollah but to "infiltrators" into his camp who are trying to stab the revolution in the back. The two religious leaders, according to Khomeini's followers, are now in complete agreement.

Those same followers say that the crisis with the United States over the hostages is still Iran's main concern, and that events at Tabriz are a diversionary plot.

On the question of the hostages, little change from Khomeini himself has been noted. The same inflexible stand still persists. But his foreign minister, Sadegh Ghotbzadeh, has recently taken a more conciliatory stand when he said that some of the hostages at least will have to be released.

As was expected, the students in control of the American Embassy where the hostages are held rejected the minister's statement. But Ghotbzadeh is known to have the Ayatollah's ear, so that his views must in some measure echo those of the Iranian leadership.

At all events, the Iranian leadership is counting on the mercenaries not resorting to arms while the hostages are still held. This was to some extent confirmed by President Carter himself, when he pointed to the jeopardy the hostages would be facing were the United States to attack Iran. But then an American definition of "harm" or "jeopardy" might be denied to include the trials the Iranians still insist that hostages will face.



Woodward lifts the covers from the U.S. Supreme Court

By Paul Macdonald

WASHINGTON — The United States Supreme Court, on Washington's Capitol Hill, is housed in a building that is a blend of Doric temple and fantastic mausoleum, all in blinding white marble. It is protected by a pair of 13-ton bronze doors that have to be kept bright by a monthly application of hydrochloric acid — doors that serve as a glittering reminder that the court has long been an establishment of legendary secrecy and discretion.

Its nine justices, who serve until they drop, are the ultimate arbiters of the American Constitution. Their decisions represent landmarks in the evolution and maturation of the republic — whether they deal with a president's right to wage war, or with a mother's right to end the life of her unborn child. The court is the third leg of the nation's government — its members guarantors of the democracy, co-equal with the president and with Congress.

The secrecy that has enveloped the court for its 190-year history has rarely been breached. Once in a long while a retired justice has penned gentlemanly memoirs that have offered some insights into the workings of the court. Less frequently, newspaper stories have hinted at the likely outcome of

pending cases, or have railed against the court's own archaisms and hypocrisies — like its failing to employ a single black man in anything other than the most menial capacity, while uttering judgments guaranteeing and enforcing equality for all Americans, whatever their color.

But last week, to the chagrin of the more conservative of the present justices, the cover was blown off their well-guarded privacy. A book, half-sarcastically entitled *The Brethren*, hit the stands — giving an insiders' view of the last six years of the court that is at once unflattering as it is deeply disturbing.

On one level the justices — who, after all, have in their responsibility for the Constitution, charge of what is arguably one of the most precious bases for human freedom — are seen to be men of straw. They are accused of making "pragmatic" rather than principled decisions — shading the facts, twisting the law, warping logic to reconcile the irreconcilable.

On another, the justices seem to be the embodiments of moralizing humbug — gleefully watching pornographic films in the court's basement while writing opinions condemning them; changing their minds on personal whim or for vindictive, or petty, reasons; stealing opinions from each other and then claiming them as their own; making obeisance to

their political masters rather than to the doggedly impartial determinations of the Founding Fathers.

Perhaps the most astonishing revelations in *The Brethren* — and it comes from a good stable, having Bob Woodward of *All the President's Men* as a co-author — are those revolving around the court's present Chief Justice, Warren Earl Burger. According to interviews with some 170 former court clerks, with some of the justices themselves, and with material from a private diary kept by one of the justices and somehow retrieved from his safe — Burger, who was appointed by President Nixon, is regarded with almost wholesale contempt.

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and land-based silos in the United States.

But using that arsenal would almost certainly mean all-out war and total destruction. Would the United States really risk that to protect a European ally? Some NATO planners guessed that it would not.

At best, they theorized, there would be sufficient doubt about whether the United States would retaliate to embolden the Soviets and weaken the will of the alliance to resist. The new missiles would give NATO a more realistic retaliatory threat.

Moreover, the United States agreed in SALT II to begin negotiating limits on intermediate-range weapons as part of SALT III. It also agreed to a temporary ban on ground-launched cruise missiles like the Tomahawk.

Making that ban permanent and freezing NATO capability to catch up in intermediate-range systems is sure to be a high SALT III priority for the Soviets. American planners said they wanted some chips to stack against the SS-20 during the SALT III negotiations.

So the United States pushed ahead with its plan. Last year, the Carter administration was embarrassed when the plan to deploy the neutron bomb fell apart under Soviet propaganda pressure. This year, presidential adviser David Aaron made six trips to Europe to make sure that all the details were ironed out.

The Soviets responded with another propaganda blitz. They unilaterally withdrew a division of troops from East Germany. They promised an unspecified reduction in medium-range missiles if NATO rejected the plan, although that reduction could easily involve dismantling a few of the older missiles they were no longer relying on. They threatened "an appropriate response" if the program went forward.

The Soviet statements enhanced reservations already felt by arms control advocates in the United States, Denmark and other countries about the NATO program.

They advocate delaying a decision to deploy the missiles while the Soviet offer is explored. At worst, they feel it would reveal the publicity of the Soviet propaganda and not delay the actual stationing of the missiles, which is scheduled for 1983.

At best, they say, it might freeze or reduce the SS-20 program and still enable the alliance to catch up.

The Carter administration has responded that it would be foolhardy to negotiate with the Soviets from a position of inferiority. It offered to begin negotiations on limits or reductions after NATO made a firm decision to build and deploy the new missiles. (AP).

pared to his immediate forerunner, the legendary practitioner of 1960s liberalism, Earl Warren.

Justice Potter Stewart offers, or so the book alleges, the most damning summary of Burger. "Warren E. Burger was a product of Richard Nixon's tasteless White House, distinguished in appearance and bearing, but without substance or integrity." "On ocean liners," Stewart told his clerks, "they used to have two captains. One for show, to take the women to dinner, the other to pilot the ship safely. The Chief is the show captain. All we need now is a real captain."

Justice Stewart made that remark in the summer of 1974, during what was perhaps the court's most crucial debate. A frantic internal discussion was proceeding on whether President Nixon should have the right — as his lawyers contended — to withhold the White House Watergate tapes from the special prosecutor, on the grounds of Oval Office confidentiality.

The book's detailed analysis of that secret debate paints Burger in so poor a light, as a man loyal principally to the president who appointed him and not to the constitutionality of the case he was deciding, that one can only wonder how long he can survive as America's Chief Justice. (OFNS)

fund scandal. If Kennedy were to be the Democratic nominee, Republicans believe, the charismatic Connally is the only man who could beat him.

If the choice were between Connally and Kennedy, runs a current Washington dinner-table favorite, "it would be a question of crying over spilt milk or crossing your bridges when you come to them." As Kennedy's fortunes temporarily decline, so do Connally's.

Neither is displeased. It is a great advantage in American presidential politics to be the underdog. Victory in the primaries does not go to the mere winner, but to the man who does better than everyone predicted. Campaign managers call it "the manipulation of expectations." Which is why the Republican front-runners are suddenly worried about George Bush.

The only life-long Republican among them, as he is fond of pointing out, Bush has a broader curriculum vitae than any. A two-term congressman, party chairman during Watergate, former Ambassador to the U.N., envoy to China, director of the CIA. He's even beaten John Newcombe at tennis.

In the three Republican "beauty contests" to date, non-binding straw polls in Maine, Iowa and Florida, Bush exceeded all the pundits' predictions. He is thus deemed to have won, though Reagan and Connally polled more votes. Suddenly people are applauding rather than laughing when Bush calls himself "the Jimmy Carter of 1980." — (OFNS).

George Bush rapidly shedding 'George Who?' image

By Anthony Holden

WASHINGTON — Ask Ronald Reagan if he's had a facelift, and his head disappears between his knees. Slightly shaky fingers spread wide his ears, and from somewhere down there his disembodied voice urges: "Go ahead. See if you can find those tell-tale scars."

Ask him if he dyes his hair — once described by Gerald Ford, a month not renowned for good lines, as "prematurely orange" — and the head disappears again. "Go on," says the voice, "run your fingers through it."

Those reporters whose hands can thereafter grip their pens still wonder if Ronald Reagan is too old to be President of the United States. He would be 70 a month after his inauguration, and would seek to remain in the White House until he is pushing 80.

"OK," he says in reply, his voice beginning to quaver, "but I'd be younger than every Head of State I'd have to deal with except Margaret Thatcher."

To be fair, he used to say that — until someone pointed out last month that every major world leader is younger than he is, with the exception of the two he was thinking about, Brezhnev and Khomeini. Another campaign slogan bids the dust.

Despite it all, Reagan, the polls still show, is way ahead in the race for the Republican presidential

nomination. His campaign strategy is therefore to stay out of sight, and let the others make the mistakes. "Look," says his campaign chairman, John Sears, "it's like having a champion thoroughbred. You don't take the racehorse out of the stable and risk him breaking a leg."

Alas for Reagan, there have been few opportunities in recent weeks for his opponents to break any legs. The presidential campaign has been distinctly muted as all White House aspirants have stood, statesman-like, behind the current occupant in his hour of crisis.

It was all the more galling for Reagan, therefore, and for his archrival John Connally, when Senator Edward Kennedy broke ranks this week. Both Republicans have been virtually bound and gagged by their campaign staff, to prevent them boiling over with Iranian solutions and presidential peptalks.

There was some consolation to be had in counter-attacking Kennedy, but he had meanwhile succeeded in restoring himself to the front pages. The Republicans, at present, are a forgotten race, which will prove some thing of an irony if the coming Carter-Kennedy battle so rends the Democratic Party as to present the White House to the enemy.

Connally pulled a Kennedy-esque trick two months back, when he urged a measure of Palestinian autonomy, and the return by Israel of all the areas occupied in the 1967 war. By risking Zionist

wrath, he had clearly distinguished himself from a field of 10 runners who speak as if with one Republican voice.

Distinct positions are taken only by the no-hopers, such as two very different Illinois congressmen, the liberal John Anderson and the hawkish Phil Crane. The battle between the two front-runners is essentially one of image and past credentials, and it could see the demise of both.

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saudi press review

King Khaled's visit to the injured now being treated in the hospital and his order to grant liberal cash awards to the families of those affected in the Haram incident formed lead stories in Tuesday's newspapers.

The visits by Crown Prince Fahd and Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan to the injured and the crown prince's reception of members of the international committee on the North-South dialogue as well as the Royal Court's announcement on the welfare of the bereaved families and the injured in the renegades' attack on the Holy Haram were prominently covered on the front pages.

Newspapers also gave front-page treatment to the Interior Ministry's statement on the

number of killed and injured in the assault on the Holy Mosque by the deviationist clique. The announcement by Sheikh Nasser Al-Rashed, general president of the affairs of the Holy Harams that the rumors of the Holy Kaaba and the Black Stone having been hit during the attack were only a baseless and malicious propaganda found a prominent place on the front pages of the newspapers.

Commenting on the royal visits to the injured, *Al-Jazirah* said that King Khaled's visit to them in the hospital added yet another good impression already left by Crown Prince's visit to the injured being treated at the Jeddah Military hospital. The paper mentioned the King's affectionate hug to the injured and said that "the royal handshake and keen enquiries

about their condition left a great impact on the injured. This royal gesture led them to feel that the injuries they received while defending the sanctity of the House of God were insignificant when compared with the sense of pride the leaders of the country had for their heroic deeds."

The paper hoped that the people of Saudi Arabia would find in royal visits a fine example of the kind of sympathy and honor these heroes should receive from them.

It added that the brave soldiers deserved this exemplary treatment for they shed their blood in defense of the most sacred place of Islam.

Al-Medina reiterated that the royal concern for the armed forces and the personnel of the National Guard and Public Security demonstrated the peak of interest of the Saudi leadership in the high objectives for which the military institutions had been set up. It said that the foremost objective of the Saudi army was to defend the sacred places of Islam, mainly the Holy Harams and the Aqsa Mosque.

The paper lauded the sacrifices of the soldiers and said they have given an actual demonstration of how sacrifices should be made for the cause of the faith. It made a reference to the royal message to the armed forces that "the purging of the Holy Haram would provide a way for clearing the Holy Jerusalem from the sacrilege of the Zionists and the colonialists. It added that the armed forces personnel would not hesitate to respond to the call of jihad to throw out the Zionists as they had

done with the renegades at the Holy Haram."

Al-Nadwa said that the royalty has translated its concern for the injured into a substantial regulation ensuring the welfare of the families of those affected in the assault. It added that the founder of the Kingdom, the late King Abdul Aziz, had established strong links between the state and those who had rallied round the leadership in building this entity.

The paper said that King Khaled, Crown Prince Fahd and member of the royal family are following in the footsteps of King Abdul Aziz by showing their concern for those who sacrificed their lives in defense of the faith. "The liberal awards that the Kingdom has announced for the bereaved families and the injured is a splen-

did gesture and a source of comfort and solace to the military personnel," it added.

Al-Nadwa described the state care and generous rewards as the "fulfillment of an obligation" toward those who either lost their lives or were injured while protecting the Holy Haram under the royal directives. "The Kingdom's gesture is an appreciation of heroic deeds of the soldiers and a reassurance that the 'whole family' was closely knit in bonds of solidarity to remain together through thick and thin."

Al-Riyadh also made a similar point and described the royal gesture as an "expression of great coherence" among the leadership, the people and the armed forces. The paper expressed the hope that this link would continue to get stronger with the passage of time.

The hidden spectacle beyond Taif

By CLARE KENT

AL-HOFR — I do not know what made us stop. There was something odd about the lie of the land ahead. We hurried up the ridge on foot.

It is a spectacular sight. Sheer cliffs drop down at your feet into enormous pits, perhaps three miles in length and one mile across. The vast oval floor of the crater is flat and dazzlingly white.

We gazed in awe, frightened, as, at how close we had driven to before realizing it was there. We had hoped to find the crater in the middle of nowhere, indeed we had asked for it unsuccessfully before, but nothing we had heard had prepared us for the size and the way it is hidden away like some lost sunken canyon in the Sierra Madre.

The area northeast of Taif was volcanic. The crater in question is new addition. It is only a few million years old. Other extinct volcanoes in Saudi Arabia are

thirty million years old.

It is believed to have been formed by a powerful subterranean explosion. Water seeped down into an underground chamber containing molten rock. This perhaps caused a massive

As the sun began to sink low in the sky, we drove off the path to camp. As always, it was lovely and quiet, the honking cars, screaming aircraft, noisy crowds and dogs of the city far behind us.

In the early morning we drove

circle around us and all tried to understand our gesture and our Arabic. Suddenly, we hit on the magic word: Wahba. "Hunak Jebel Wahba," they cried in delight. It is a lone mountain in the west.

It looks disappointingly unvolcanic but we were told the crater would be in that direction so we headed for it. We followed the track that winds out of the village and as we approached the mountain, which stands alone on a flat plain, we became less and less confident that it was the right place for there is no sign of the crater until you peer over the edge. The only clue is the black basalt stones which cover the ground near the mountain, indicating lava flow.

As we wandered around the edge, two bedu in a truck appeared, as usual, from nowhere. After the required greetings and expressions of amazement at the crater, they pointed out a small green area on a far cliff. This, they told us, was a date palm garden and from there the track would lead to the crater floor.

It takes some time to drive around the crater but it is well worth it. The gardens are a short climb down and it is cool and green. Water oozes out of the cliffs and there is a small cistern full.

The path down to the floor is nothing more than a goat track and when the trees give out, the way becomes steeper. It is a difficult walk.

The white floor of the crater is sand covered with a thin layer of salt. The surface is crisp and breaks easily underfoot. There are occasional deposits of olive green crystals known as peridot but unfortunately they crumble easily if removed. We picnicked near a great wall of lava around the northeastern and eastern side of the crater, its deep black swirls movement perpetually frozen.

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blast. Even the basement rocks were thrown out making this the largest volcanic crater in the area.

Like so much in Arabia, it is difficult to find. We drove from Jeddah to Taif and took the Riyadh road for about 120 kilometers before turning north into the desert, just past a village called Rudwan, on a sandy track

on towards the mountains and turned west. We had been told to pass two villages and that the third would be Al Hofr, which means the pit. "Aywa, aywa, hadha al Hofr," the bedu filling their huge oil drums at the well told us cheerfully when we pulled in to the hamlet. As we questioned them further, villagers began to form a



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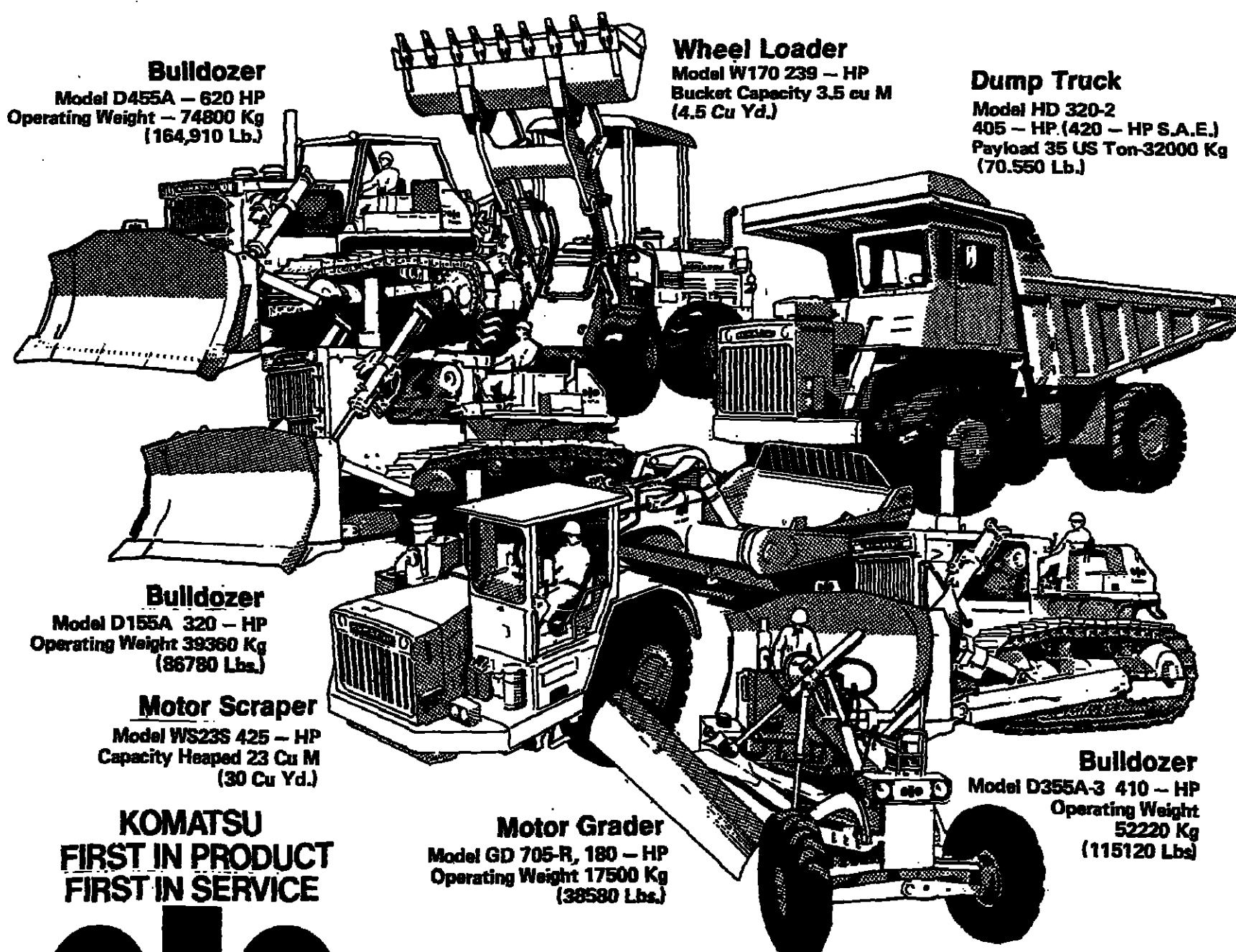
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Carter endorses panel report

U.S. to boost food aid to poor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter has endorsed a recommendation that the United States shift the focus of its foreign aid from supplying arms to reducing world hunger.

Carter said Monday he was "very excited and pleased" by a commission report that also urged a doubling of U.S. aid to help avoid a probable world food crisis.

The president told members of the Presidential Commission on World Hunger that he had read their preliminary report Monday morning.

"This is an opportunity for our nation... to embark upon a long-range, exciting, challenging, principled effort to alleviate the problem of world hunger over the next decades," Carter said.

One commission member told reporters later that "we don't believe we'd have all of our embassies burned" if people over-

seas felt the United States was helping with food production rather than supplying arms.

The commission warned that a global food shortage "of even more serious dimensions than the present energy crisis" is likely in the next 20 years unless the United States and other nations act now.

Two straight years of bad harvest in any major grain-exporting nation, the report said, would produce not only rising food prices in healthy nations, but cause "widespread famine and political disorder" to poor nations and would "disrupt a fragile world economy already weakened by energy shortages and rampant inflation."

The commission said the earth appears physically capable of feeding its expanding population at least through the year 2000, provided that knotty political and social problems can be overcome.

The panel said that hunger is getting worse in the world, not better, and that one out of every eight persons now lack food or have bad food that stunts growth or dulls mental abilities.

It said curing the problem will require efforts not only to help poor nations grow more of their own food, but also to raise over-all growth levels so the poor can afford to buy food when it is available.

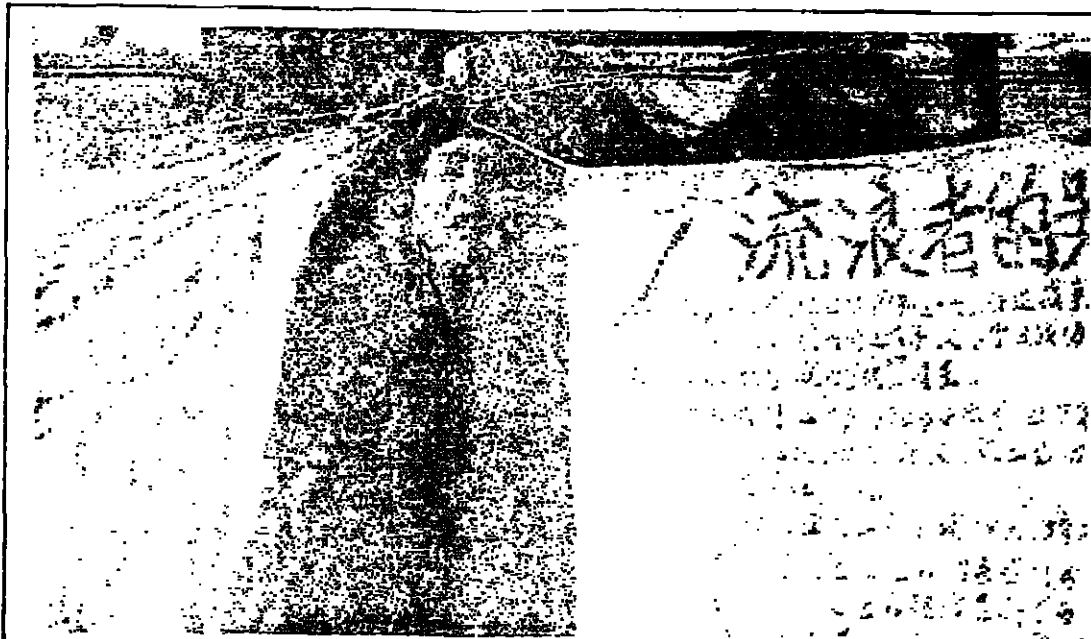
The panel said that such efforts, if successful, would cause some economic harm to U.S. farmers and factory workers, but a healthy world economy will in the long run benefit everybody.

The commission recommended that the United States "as rapidly as possible" double its non-military foreign aid spending, from roughly \$7 billion a year now to \$14 billion a year.

It also urged that the U.S. top foreign aid official be made a member of the president's cabinet, similar to the status now given to the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

Citing the current famine in Cambodia, the commission recommended that the Senate ratify protocols to the Geneva convention that would outlaw the starvation of civilians as a method of war.

The panel said its primary recommendation was that "the United States make the elimination of hunger the primary focus of its relationships with the developing countries."



FIRST AT THE NEW WALL: Chen Hong Gang, a petitioner from Shangong, was the first person to pin a poster to a new, officially-approved wall in Peking Saturday. The original 'Democracy Wall' was banned by the Peking authorities the same day for going too far in voicing political dissent.

Europe satellite to be launched

LONDON, Dec. 11 (OFNS) — The world's newest rocket will rise from the European Space Agency's launch site in Guiana this week.

If all goes well, the arrival in orbit about 12 minutes later of a small test satellite will vindicate two decades of European effort to obtain its own access to space.

The launch vehicle, Ariane, has been developed mainly to enable European countries to deploy the communications satellites which are revolutionizing society, although it will carry a multitude of other payloads.

In the shadow of America's

plans for a reusable space shuttle, Europe's \$ 800 million program for a throw-away launcher has acquired a history of technical failure, mistrust and mismanagement.

The original 'Europa' rocket program ended explosively Nov. 5, 1971, with the spectacular failure in flight of the first Europa II test vehicle.

The blame for this fiasco was attributed to conflicts of national interests which deprived the now-defunct European Launch Vehicle Development Organization of authority.

Britain at one point threw in the

towel, except for honoring technical obligations, arguing instead for a commitment to buy proven American launchers. It was a rational argument for Britain, with its special relationship with the U.S. But the French and Germans mistrusted America, and their mistrust proved well founded: soon after work on Ariane started, America began putting conditions on the launch of a Franco-German communications satellite. Without Ariane, the crucial commercial aspects of Europe's exploitation of space would be totally subject to American political and economic considerations.

United Nations urges human rights respect

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 10 (AP) — A U.N. leader has marked the 31st anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights with a statement praising the declaration as "an irrefutable code of conduct for all states."

Salim Ahmed Salim of Tanzania, president of the U.N. General Assembly, said Monday the document was as relevant now as it was Dec. 10, 1948, when the assembly adopted it.

But, in a statement issued for the occasion, he declared that "gross, flagrant and consistent violations of the most basic human rights" were still taking place daily throughout the world.

The United Nations observed the anniversary with a concert Monday night in the General Assembly hall.

Salim said, "Let us strive to make 1980 a better year and the beginning of a better decade for the scrupulous respect for human rights the world over."

He complained in particular that "on the grounds of race or color, the very dignity and worth of the human person is degraded and dehumanized."

The concert featured the Pioneer Orchestra of Sofia, Bulgaria, made up of 115 children aged 8 to 16; Raina Kabaivanska, Metropolitan Opera singer, and actor Peter Usoviev, speaking on the current International Year of the Child.

In Washington, the United Nations Association of the United States said Monday that promotion of human rights worldwide should be a primary foreign policy goal of the U.S. government.

In a report issued after an 18-month panel study, the association said respect for human rights should be a major factor in selecting countries to receive economic or arms aid.

At the same time, it said trade restrictions should be used only as a last resort and urged a review of the Jackson-Vanik Amendment of 1974, which was enacted in part to pressure the Soviet Union to liberalize its emigration policies.

It added that the most favored nation trade status, which has not been granted the Russians, "may lose its credibility as an incentive if it appears that it will not be granted even though conditions have improved."

Meanwhile, speakers at a U.N. employee rally Monday charged U.N. officials with failing to take sufficient action to protect arrested staff members.

Outlining staff demands, speaker George Rahey said U.N. employees did not demand the release of the prisoners, but that they be accorded the rights of a legal defense and fair trial without undue delay. They also demanded that full charges against them be disclosed and that a U.N. representative be allowed to visit them.

Binaisa cabinet reshuffle sparks political opposition

KAMPALA, Dec. 11 (OFNS) — Uganda's President Godfrey Binaisa is trying to extricate himself from the row caused by his decision to "downgrade" his leftwing defense minister, Yoweri Museveni, and take over the portfolio himself.

It is uncertain whether the ruling National Consultative Council will support Binaisa's action, which included a major cabinet reshuffle.

A standing committee set up after the member of the NCC carpeted the president for announcing the changes without consulting them had not finished hearing evidence and was not expected to report back to the council before last weekend.

However, it appeared that Museveni's removal from the defense minister would be confirmed, although some other cabinet changes might be rejected. Many members of the NCC equate with that of the ousted post-Amin president, Yusufu Lule.

Binaisa has stood his ground, arguing that he has every right to reshuffle ministers, but he has acknowledged that he should have consulted the NCC on the formation of the five new ministries he has in mind.

Many observers in Kampala believed the NCC would accept Museveni's demotion to avoid a crisis similar to that which resulted from Lule's departure.

Binaisa describes himself as "slightly left of center." Museveni is unashamedly far to the left — an admirer of Vietnam, Cuba and Mozambique, where he lived for a time — but this does not appear to be the cause of Binaisa's threat to resign unless Museveni was moved from defense, since several other ministers are leftwing, as are some NCC members.

Museveni's friends say he was

taken by surprise when he heard the news of his pending move to the ministry for regional cooperation.

There has been a series of disagreements between Museveni and the Uganda Liberation Army's Chief of Staff, Lt. Col. Oyite Ojok, and there was a time when the president became so frustrated over their quarrelling that he said to have contemplated moving them.

Frequent allegations have been made about "private armies" loyal to Museveni, Ojok and other top men. Most talked about are the soldiers, largely from Ankole in southwest Uganda, recruited by Museveni and stubbornly loyal to him.

He denies any intention of using military force for his own ends, and has pointed to the fact that Ojok has recruited troops who are mainly northerners from his own Lengo and neighboring Acholi districts.

In the hope of ending this confusion, the new "liberation army" is being retrained at Mubende barracks, between Kampala and Fort Portal, where every effort is being made to achieve a tribal "mix" of recruits.

The future of the army and of their weaponry has been the subject of much controversy, the president insisting that arms come from Western sources and Museveni saying he doesn't care where they come from.

Recently some highly-placed Ugandans went shopping for arms in the Soviet Union. Mystery surrounds what part, if any, Museveni played in possible negotiations.

Museveni and other leftists in the cabinet and the NCC have also clashed with moderates and rightwingers over the terms for foreign investors.

S. African priest indicted for defying banning order

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 11 (R) — South African security police have brought charges against an Anglican priest who defied a "banning order" by attending a church synod.

The Rev. David Russell, who works mainly among blacks and has been closely involved with the problems of squatter camps around Cape Town, was ordered Monday to appear in court Jan. 25 to answer two charges of violating his banning order, police said.

A five-year ban, imposed in October 1977 during a government crackdown on anti-apartheid protest, confines Russell to his local district of Wynberg and bars him from attending gatherings. He must also stay at one after 6 a.m. and at weekends.

Russell was an outspoken champion of black rights until the ban prevented him from speaking publicly, writing for publication being quoted by the media. He deliberately flouted the ban attending the start of the Anglican annual synod at Grahamstown, 900 kilometers east of Cape Town, two weeks ago and joining discussions.

At the end of the synod, black shop Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, described Russell as "the freest human being I have ever met."

"I am glad that David, that extraordinary young man, is here," said.

Tutu urged churches to tell men people to ignore banning orders and support those who had face the consequences.

Commenting on the charges against Russell, Tutu said, "It will up to the church, which asked me to attend the synod, to support him. I think this matter will give much international interest."

Mrs. Helen Suzman, opposition member of parliament and a lead-

ing opponent of apartheid, said the government had been extremely unwise to bring the charges.

Friends of Russell said he had notified the local magistrate and the minister of justice, Alwyn Schlebusch, in writing a month before the synod that he planned to attend, despite his banning order.

The summons was served on him soon after he returned to Cape Town from Grahamstown. Russell is awaiting judgment on an earlier charge of breaking the ban on him and possessing a banned book. When he appeared in court in November, judgment and sentence were postponed until February.

If convicted, he could be fined or imprisoned.

Branch manager robs company in Cologne of \$1m

COLOGNE, West Germany, Dec. 11 (R) — West German police Monday searched for a security firm branch manager after the theft of \$1 million from one of the company's armored vans at the weekend.

The van, containing 30 opened strongboxes, was found Monday on the firm's Cologne premises, police said. Thirty more boxes and the weekend takings from supermarkets and department stores were missing.

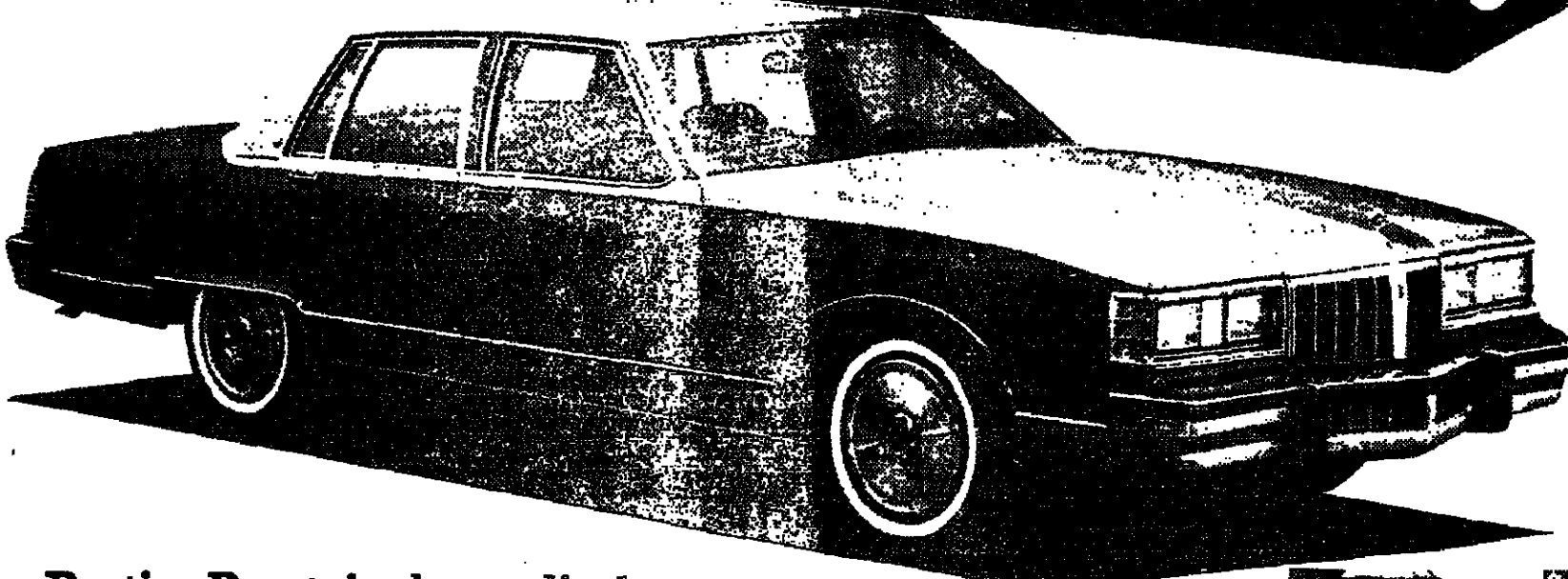
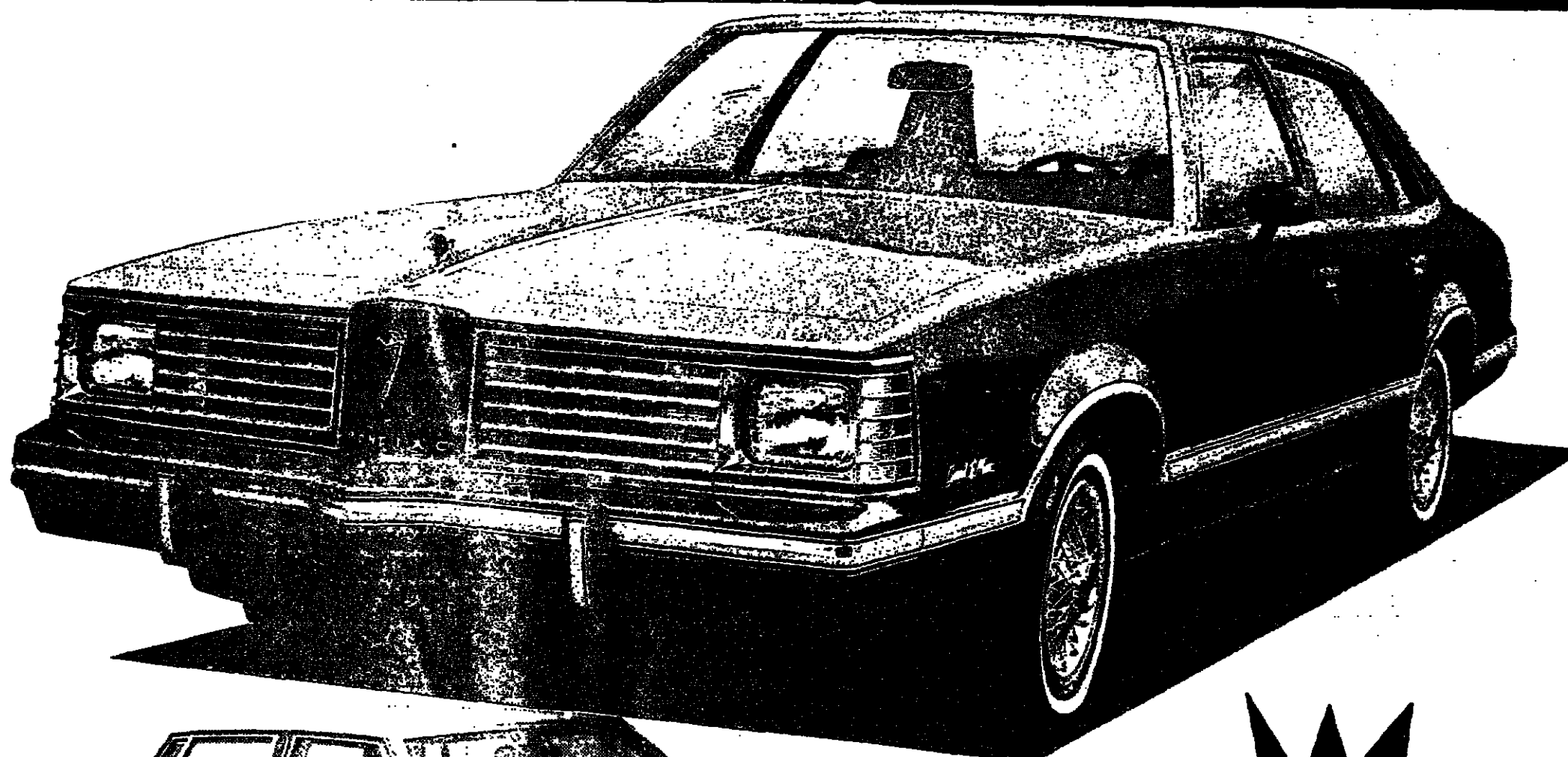
Police said they were looking for the 41-year-old manager of the branch who carried out the delivery. Some cash was delivered to banks, but none of the strongboxes were delivered.

A note was found in the branch manager's home addressed to his wife saying, "Darling, don't worry, everything will turn out all right," police added. They said his wife had left home to visit relatives in East Germany.



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China hits at Soviets on Japan

KING, Dec. 11 (Agencies) — China accused the Soviet Union Tuesday of firing "a heavy propaganda barrage" against Japanese cooperation, saying it constituted an "exceptionally grave menace to the cause of peace and security in Asia."

The official Xinhua news agency reported the Soviets aimed an attack at the just-concluded Japanese Prime Minister Yoshi Ohira to China, calling it a "suspicious visit."

During his five-day trip which ended last Sunday, Japan had a \$200 million loan to it and promised to extend a "preferential tariff treatment" to it and help the people's lives on six major construction sites.

China quoted Soviet reports as saying the bilateral cooperation between Japan and China "has become a factor of instability, aggravating the tension in Asia," and charged a malicious and

beguiling Soviet propaganda campaign was trying to "undermine Sino-Japanese cooperation and the mutual trust of the Asian nations so as to make the situation more volatile in Asia."

It said that "ignoring courtesy in international relations as well as reality, Moscow's mouthpieces described Ohira's trip to China as a 'suspicious visit.'"

During his trip here Dec. 5-9, Ohira promised Peking leaders active financial help for their modernization effort.

Meanwhile, the Chinese delegation to Sino-Soviet talks in Moscow to improve relations between the two Communist giants returned to Peking today.

The delegation headed by Vice Foreign Minister Wang Youping, which arrived in Moscow Sept. 23 had five rounds of preliminary talks and six plenary sessions with the Soviet delegation, the last Dec. 6.

The next round of talks is to be held in Peking, but the date has still to be set.

China first suggested talks when it announced last April 3 it would not renew its 30-year treaty of friendship, alliance and mutual assistance with the Soviet Union.

Diplomats said the Moscow talks had made no progress. The Soviet side had been seeking a broad declaration of principles to replace the treaty which expires next April, while the Chinese wanted first to cover specific aspects of their relations.

During the visit by Ohira to China last week, a Japanese spokesman said Ohira had been told by senior Vice Premier Deng Xiaoping China did not object to further meetings.

Deng was quoted as saying, however, that the important objective was to remove the "obstacles between the two countries" rather than producing what he called "empty documents."



President Giscard

Giscard wins prize for aid to refugees

GENEVA, Dec. 11 (AP) — President Valery Giscard d'Estaing of France has received the Nansen Medal "for outstanding services to the cause of refugees" and immediately announced he would use an accompanying \$50,000 cash prize for aid to Cambodia and Botswana.

It was the fifth time the medal, established in 1954 and awarded annually under the auspices of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, went to a representative of France.

Giscard Monday told a packed United Nations Assembly hall in Geneva he would be using half the money to finance a hospital which France intended to set up in Cambodia. The rest, he said, would be devoted to establishing a school at a refugee camp in Botswana.

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Singh promises austerity measures

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11, (R) — The People's Party (Lok Dal) of Premier Charan Singh said Tuesday that if it is returned to power in next month's elections, it will ban construction of skyscrapers, breweries, casinos and luxury cars.

In an election manifesto that stressed austerity, the party said it will also prohibit manufacture of what it called non-essential items, including refrigerators and television receivers.

The party said it would follow the economic policy advocated by Mahatma Gandhi, based on small cottage industries rather than on

Moscow police detain dissidents

MOSCOW, Dec. 11 (AP) — Uniformed police and plainclothes security men detained about 15 people Monday night at a city square where Soviet dissidents had scheduled their annual demonstration to mark international human rights day.

Small knots of young people, apparently would-be demonstrators, moved back and forth on the edge of Pushkin Square. They did not gather together or remove their caps in the winter weather, as demonstrators have done in



Charan Singh

development that required large investments, but provided relatively few jobs.

It promised to break what it called the monopolistic stranglehold of foreign countries over the Indian economy.

The manifesto proposed closure of any public enterprise showing continuous losses, unless it was vital to the economy.

A program of austerity is necessary, the party said, to prevent the poor getting poorer.

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There have been no threats to the U.S. fleet, officials said.

The Russian Navy's strength in the Indian Ocean has increased to 18 ships over the past few weeks, but is still below the 20-ship level that has been normal in the past.

To bolster U.S. naval striking power in the Indian Ocean-Arabian Sea, the United States has stripped substantial combat power from the 7th Fleet in the Pacific, although some of this has been restored by sending the carrier *Coral Sea* from the West Coast of the United States.

Meanwhile, Tehran Radio reported that the Iranian fleet is stationed between Khorramshahr and Bandar Abbas in order to watch the moves of the U.S. fleet.

The radio quoted Adm. Madani, the Iranian naval force commander, as saying that the Iranian Navy was only a defensive force.

"In other words, we do not intend to confront the U.S. fleet unless there is justification for doing so and unless Iranian territorial waters are violated. At present we are watching the movements of the U.S. fleets."

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Gold hits record price

LONDON, Dec. 11 (R) — The price of gold reached a new record Tuesday as the dollar came under pressure on world money markets.

Gold was fixed at a record fixing price of \$442.75 an ounce on the key London bullion market. Its previous record fix was \$437 an ounce on Oct. 2.

Dealers on the bullion market said expectations of oil price increases next week by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) at their oil ministers' meeting in Caracas, and the unstable Middle East situation, were attracting gold buyers.

Monday gold closed in London at

\$432.00 an ounce. Dealers said gold went up in value overnight, attracting new buying interest. It traded as high as \$447 an ounce briefly Tuesday morning.

The weaker dollar contributed to the rise but was not a principal factor, according to the dealers.

The dollar sunk against most major currencies Tuesday while sterling rose sharply, trading Tuesday morning at \$2.1847, compared with \$2.1675 at Monday night's London close.

The dollar rose slightly against

the yen, however, trading at 233.42 yen compared with 232.70 Monday night.

On the European foreign exchange markets, some dealers said confidence in the dollar could have been hit by Monday's late news that U.S. retail sales rose by 1.8 per cent in November after a 1.7 per cent fall the previous month.

The figures seemed to challenge the current idea that the United States is in recession. And this may have led to fears of more inflation if recessionary brakes were depressing the economy.

U.S. contracts in Mideast shrinking; IRS rules blamed

By Susan I. Gray
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 — U.S. construction fortunes in the Middle East continue to sag.

And against this continuous downturn, a "gentleman's agreement" between the U.S. construction industry and the Department of Treasury on relaxing tax rules for Americans overseas — a potential shot in the arm for American contractors in the Middle East — apparently has come unglued.

The agreement — made after several meetings between private industry and government officials on the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) regulations governing the tax treatment of American workers overseas — now appears shattered as the liberalized provisions have met conflict at high Treasury levels, sources conclude.

American construction executives have closely tied taxing the earnings of Americans overseas to their recent non-competitive showing in the Middle East market.

And more fuel was added to the construction industry's chorus of woes on the U.S. tax policy when McGraw-Hill last week published a survey which showed that American contractors have taken a nose dive to 12th place in the race for a share of new contracts in the lucrative Middle East construction market.

South Korea is now in first place — a chair held by the U.S. just five years ago, the survey reported.

Now with the release of the most damaging evidence to date on the continuous downturn of U.S. business fortunes in the region, the U.S. construction industry has launched a verbal attack on the Treasury Department for its delay in finalizing the regulations governing the Foreign Earned Income Act of 1978.

Calling the Treasury action in taking over a year to finalize the regulations "irresponsible," Robert M. Gants of the National Constructors called on Congress to initiate an immediate investigation of the delay. "It is scandalous," he said.

The Treasury Department has repeatedly declined to comment on the regulations except to say that there have been some "delays in the review process," but other sources say the regulations are now embroiled in "dissension and technical problems" at the Treasury.

The IRS's first attempt at drafting the implementing rules early this year met with harsh criticism from U.S. business, which charged that the rules "too narrowly defines hardship living conditions and did not comply with the intent

of Congress."

Following a public hearing and series of meetings between private industry and government officials this fall, the IRS appeared ready to remove some of the sting from its interpretations.

And following informal release in October a preliminary agreement — which would make 80-90 per cent of Americans living in construction camps in the Middle East eligible for a \$ 20,000 tax exclusion, construction executives said they were "generally pleased" with IRS's intent to liberalize its definitions of hardship living conditions.

In fact, most industry spokesmen said the proposed changes relaxing the IRS's interpretation of "camp" and "remote area" were a step in the right direction to create tax incentives and not disincentives for Americans working overseas.

But as the regulations, expected to be published in early November, have been continually delayed; there have been leaks of disagreement at Treasury. Now the construction industry fears the final regulations will reflect a move back toward a stricter interpretation of "construction camp housing" and "remote

Kuwait, Libya in \$ 1 billion joint venture

KUWAIT, Dec. 11 (R) — Kuwait and the Libya have signed a \$ one billion agreement to establish a joint Arab investment company, it was announced here.

Kuwaiti Finance Minister Abdel Rahman Al-Atiqi and Libyan Finance Secretary Muhammad Zurrourk Rajab signed the agreement Monday.

Kuwaiti treasury sources said the company would support projects which aim at Arab economic integration and develop other activities, including financing trade operations.

When confronted with the criticism from the construction industry, a Treasury spokesman said he was unaware of the industry's barrage. The attack on the Treasury's delay in finalizing the regulations was issued in National Construction Association news release this week.

Saying that the construction industry is hampered by not having clear guidelines on the 1978 tax law, Gants observed this week that "we can't bid competitively on new overseas construction projects or recruit Americans to staff them as long as the current uncertainties persist."

Citing the McGraw-Hill survey which just last year ranked the U.S. fifth, Gants said, "we can expect a continuation of that sort of trend not only in the Middle East but around the world as long as agencies such as the IRS are allowed to operate, apparently without no accountability, in direct opposition of Congressional measures designed to encourage more U.S. exports to offset the huge trade deficits that have been piling up to the tune of almost \$ 100 billion over the past three years."

While the regulations outlining tax exclusions and tax deductions for American workers abroad remain tied up in government channels, Gants said, "our industry and its American staffs overseas are in limbo."

"We are hostages of uncertainties imposed by our own government. Americans are coming home. The competing industry nations face no uncertainties and are therefore walking away without share of the overseas construction market."

In light of the delay in finalizing the regulations and the apparent disagreement in the Treasury Department over the interpretation of the 1978 law, Gants said it is "becoming increasingly clear that we must go back to Congress again to get a new tax law."

Wall Street

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 — The market turned around in afternoon trading Monday to close slightly on the up side. At the bell the Dow Jones industrial average rose .68 to 833.87. Transports up .58 to 254.87, and Utilities added .27 to 108.46. Volume of trading for the day was 32.3 million shares. Breadth was on the positive side as gainers outnumbered losers 829 to 679 and 415 issues unchanged. The Amex gained 1.25 on the day to 233.51.

Growth and glamour were mixed with Abbott Labs up 1 1/4 to 43 1/4, Smithkline rose 1 1/2 to 60 1/2, IBM lost 1/4 to 66 1/2, National Semi advanced 2 1/4 to 33 1/2, and Texas Inst. gained 1 1/2 to 91 1/2.

Energy issues were also mixed with Mesa up 1 1/4 to 51 1/2 Std. Oil of Ind. dropped 2 1/4 to 80 1/2, Gulf

rose 1 to 35, Halliburton fell 1/2 to 79 1/2, Hughes Tool up 1/2 to 50 and Transco off 1/2 to 40 1/2.

Basic industry issues were higher with Union Carbide up to 42 1/4, Intl. Paper gained 1/4 to 38 1/2, U.S. Gypsum added 1/2 to 33, and Gibraltar Financial lost to 12 1/4.

Auto and machinery issues advanced with Ford up 1 1/4 to 34 1/2, Caterpillar rose 1/4 to 54 1/2, Ingersoll Rand gained 1/4 to 50 1/2, and Parker Hannifin climbed 1/4 to 27.

Gambling stocks rallied on the day with Bally up 1 1/2 to 34 1/2, Caesars World up 1 to 17 1/2, and Resorts Int. advanced 2 1/4 to 25 1/2.

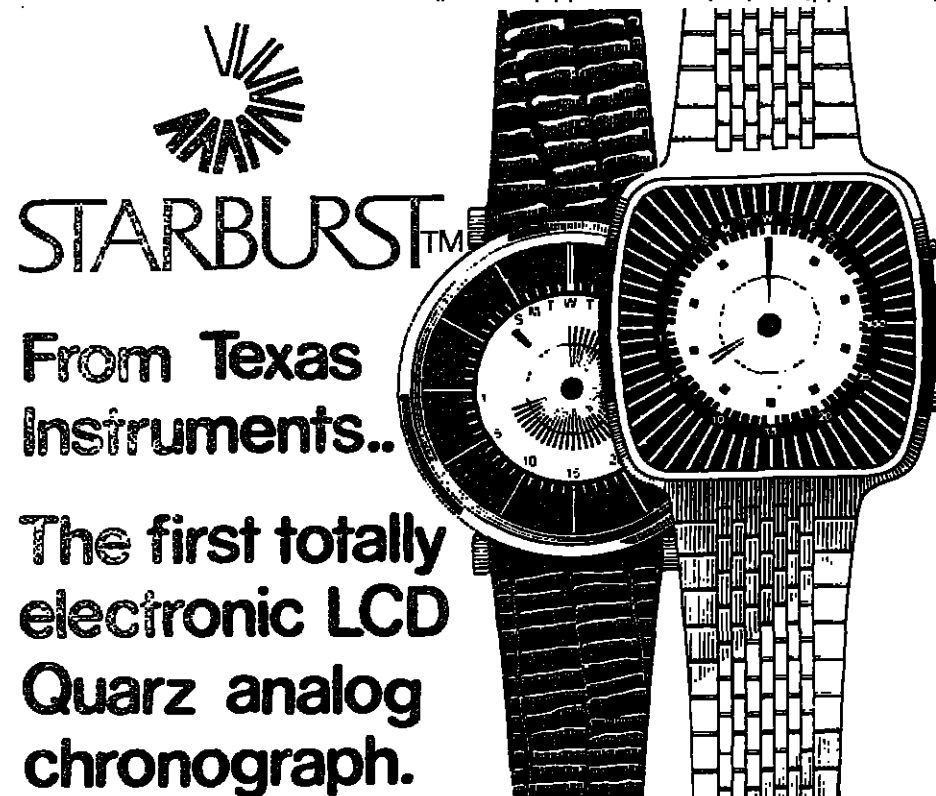
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Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.37	3.377	3.3725
Pound Sterling	7.30	7.42	7.40
Deutsche Mark (100)	198.00	195.00	195.80
Swiss F (100)	209.00	212.00	211.25
French F (100)	82.00	83.00	82.80
Italian Lira (10,000)	41.00	41.50	41.50
Lebanese Lira (100)		97.50	97.00
Syrian Lira (100)		78.50	86.90
Egyptian Pound		4.45	4.52
Kuwaiti Dinar		12.35	12.35
Jordanian Dinar		11.35	11.30
Emirates Dirham (100)		89.60	89.60
Qatari Riyal (100)		91.25	91.25
Bahraini Dinar		8.96	8.96
Iranian Riyal (100)		26.00	—
Iraqi Dinar (100)		9.40	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)		74.40	74.00
Moroccan Dirham (100)		82.50	89.50
Indian Rupee (100)		—	41.40
Pakistani Rupee (100)		—	34.20
Gold kg.		48,200.00	—
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Japanese Yen (1,000)	14.50	—	14.15
Canadian Dollar	2.90	3.00	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	118.00	115.00	—
Dutch Guilder (1,000)	174.00	175.00	175.00
Spanish Peso		50.00	51.20
Greek Drachma (1,000)		82.00	—
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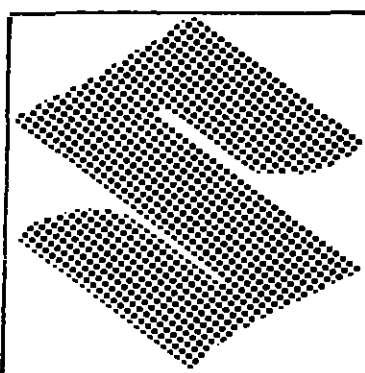
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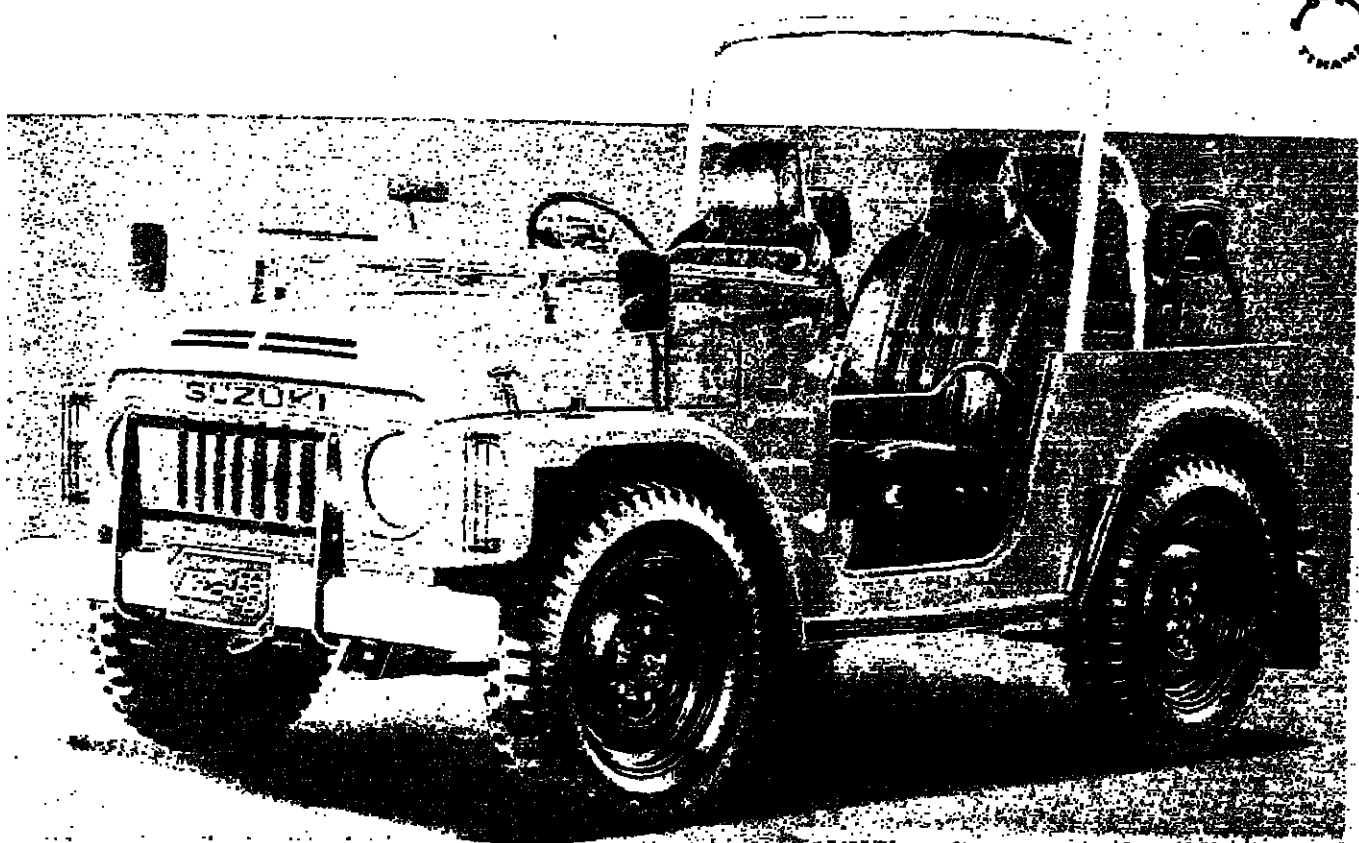
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SLALOM: Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden in action in the World Cup Giant Slalom in Val d'Isere this week. He was placed first.

In works Datsun

Kallstrom takes first Oman car rally

JEDDAH, Dec. 11 — The Oman International Rally, the first motor rally to be held on the Arabian Peninsula, was won by Harry Kallstrom in a Datsun 160J.

Siraj Zahran, the Datsun agent here, said Tuesday that Kallstrom was followed by Indian Shekha Mehta, the winner of the Safari Rally, in another Datsun 160J. Toyota Celica drivers were placed third and fourth, with a Datsun fifth, a Mitsubishi Lancer sixth, a Toyota Celica seventh, a Datsun eighth and a Peugeot ninth. Twenty-eight cars entered the rally.

The rally started from the Muscat International Hotel. The event was organized and sponsored by Rothmans in conjunction with the

Oilers defeat Steelers 20-17

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 11 (AP) — Dan Pastorini's 25-yard touchdown pass to Ken Burrough just before halftime, two Toni Fritsch field goals and Rob Carpenter's four-yard scoring run with 2:10 left gave Houston a 20-17 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers Monday night and kept the Oilers' hopes alive for a National Football League division title.

Pittsburgh 14-17
Houston 20-17

Oman Automobile Association, and was the second of four rallies which comprise the Rothmans Middle East Rally Challenge.

The rally covered 1,500 kilometers and featured 13 special stages where cars competed against the clock over mountainous tracks way in to the interior of the country. Both winning Datsuns were works built but maintained and entered by the local Datsun agent.

Toyota entered two Celica coupes, one driven by the Swedish Keif Asterhag and the other by Michael Foss from Bahrain, who finished fourth on the Rothmans Rally Challenge. Asterhag, a newcomer to Middle East rallying, suffered bad luck on the recent R.A.C. Rally in England when he was forced to retire with fuel pump trouble.

Another newcomer to rallying in the area was former British saloon car racing champion Tony Lanfranchi, driving one of team of three Lancer 1600 co-drivers was David Walton and their other drivers, Barry Bell-Cross, John Kerslake, Harry Summers and Aileen Hamilton, all members of the Bahrain Motor Club.

David Evans from Dubai, driving a Musaf-sponsored Daihatsu Charade lost a rear wheel during practice on one of the special stages but managed to rebuild the

suspension in time for scrutineering. The second Dubai entry, Capt. Saeed Khalfan and co-driver Euen Durke in an escort R.S., sponsored by the Dubai Police suffered a mechanical set back but was ready for the start of the rally.

The cars were flagged off at the start by Sayeed Hamed ibn Hamood. After the first five stages in day light the drivers returned to

the Intercontinental Hotel for a rest before starting on the most hazardous second part of the event, night stops run over graded wadi tracks and rough unmade roads in mountainous country.

In Abidjan, Hannu Middola of Finland has taken over the lead in the Ivory Coast's Bandama Rally, relegating his great rival Bjorn Waldegard of Sweden to second place.

By England

Aussies given 265 target

SYDNEY, Dec. 11 (AP) — England set Australia 265 runs to win the limited-over clash at the Sydney Cricket Ground Tuesday night.

England was seven wickets down for 264 runs after 49 overs and Australia will need to score at a run-rate of between five and six an over.

Veteran England opener Geoff Boycott gave three chances in his top scoring effort of 105, before falling victim to Dennis Lillee, who uprooted his off-stump.

With Derek Randall, Boycott put on 78 for the opening partnership.

Boycott and Peter Willey then rattled up 118 runs for the second wicket, before Willey was dismissed.

In Yea, the West Indies were in a powerful position as they declared their innings closed at 329 for three at tea on Tuesday in their one-day clash here against the Victorian Country XI.

The partnership of Larry Gomes and Lawrence Rowe added to the frustration of the touring side after the wickets of Gordon Greenidge and Desmond Haynes were taken.

Greenidge (77) and Haynes (74) laid the foundation for the formidable West Indies score.

The pair eventually fell victim to the medium pace veteran, Jim Sovegan, who had both batsmen caught by fellow 40-year-old John Pendleton.

Rowe knocked up a speedy 97 in just 55 minutes before, hitting the ball high, he was caught by Lance Symons off the bowling of medium paceman Warren Coles.

Warriors fall to Utah Jazz

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 11 (AP) — Adrian Dantley's 25 points and a near-flawless performance by Utah from the free-throw line sparked the Jazz to a 100-93 victory over the Golden State Warriors in the only National Basketball Association game played Monday night.

The victory was the third straight for the Jazz, now 7-21. Golden State dropped to 11-19.

Dantley drove in 25 points in the first half and 14 in the final two quarters. Terry Furlow scored 14 of his 16 points in the second half, while teammate Alan Bristow contributed 14 for the Jazz.

Frazier's son makes his mark

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 11 (R) — Marvis Frazier, son of former world heavyweight champion Joe Frazier, knocked out Daniel Goguen of Canada in a heavyweight bout at the World Junior Amateur Boxing Championships here Tuesday.

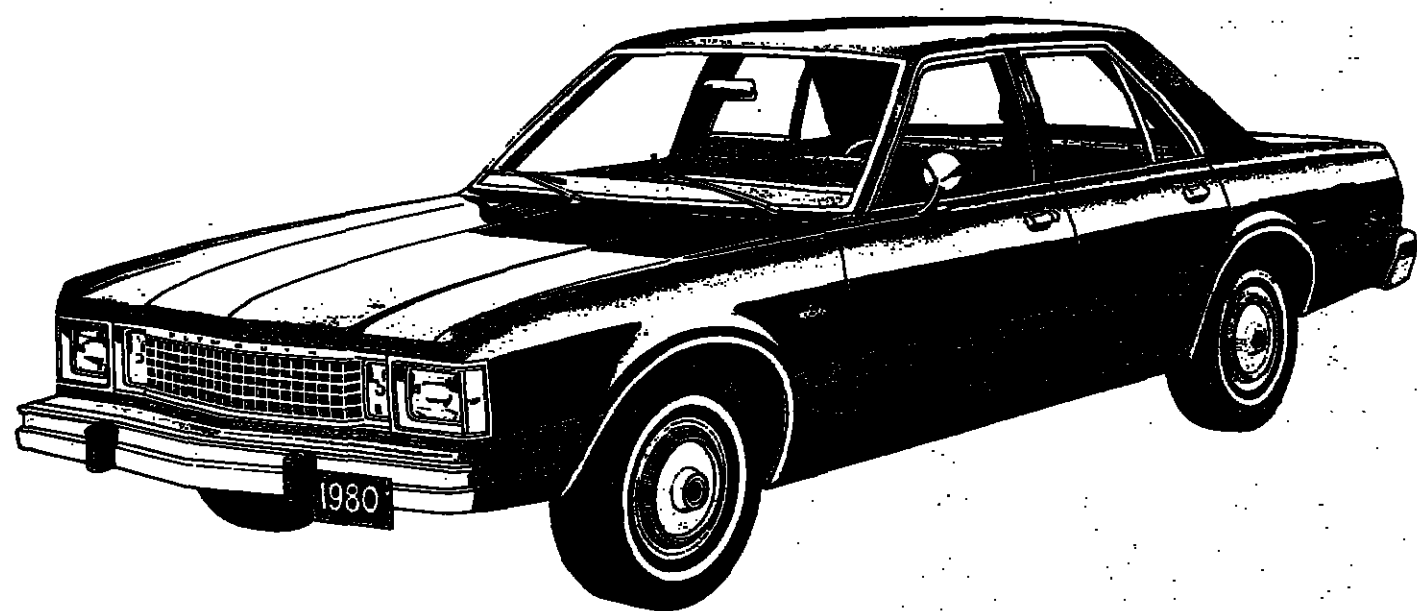
Frazier, 19, of Philadelphia, dropped the Canadian with a short right to the face early in the second round to extend his unbeaten record to 41 fights.

Frazier, winner of the U.S. Golden Gloves heavyweight title this year, had floored Goguen with a right hook in the first round.

He was one of three American first round winners Tuesday. Alfred Mayes, a light middleweight, beat Pauir Vardanian of the Soviet Union on points and welterweight Milton McCrory stopped Edward Miles of Scotland midway through the second round.

England scored two wins, welterweight Dudley McKenzie outpointing Tibor Molnar of Hungary and Nick Wilshire stopping Japan's Shinji Seki in the first round of a middleweight bout.

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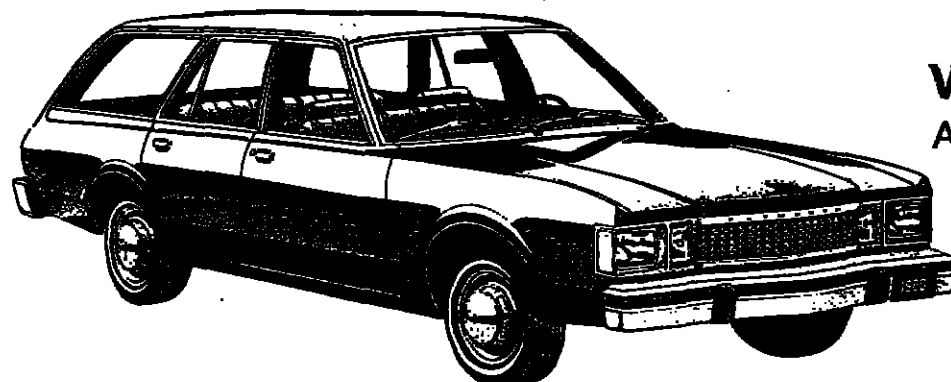
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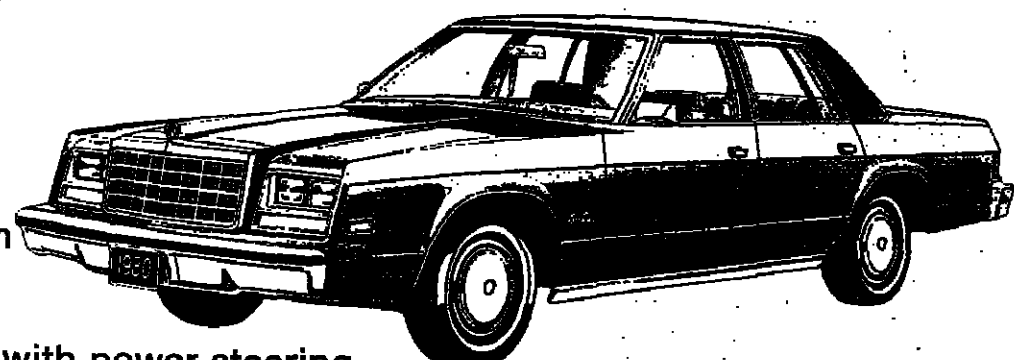
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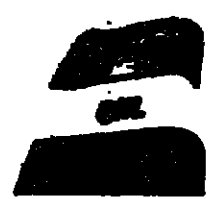
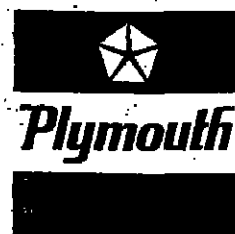
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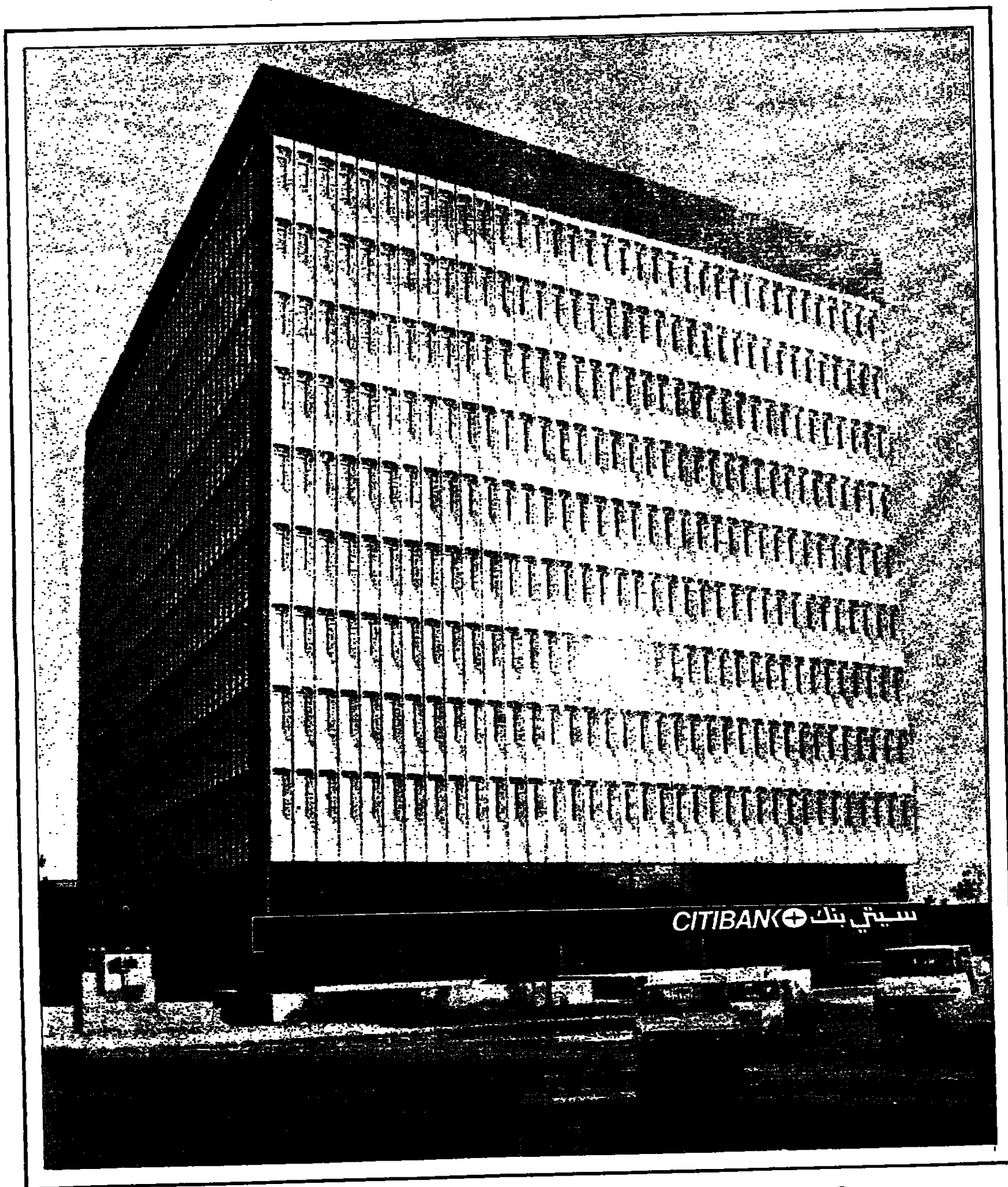
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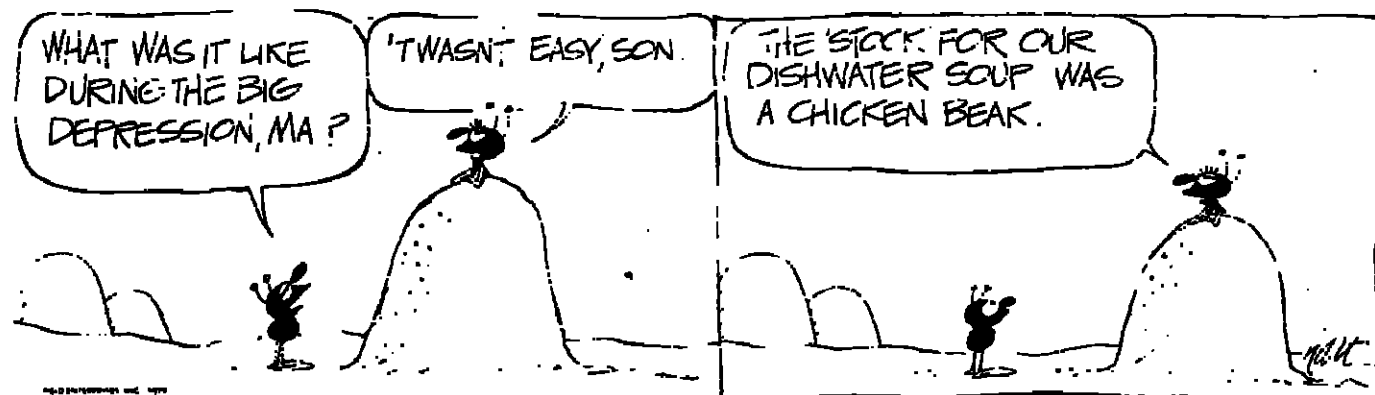


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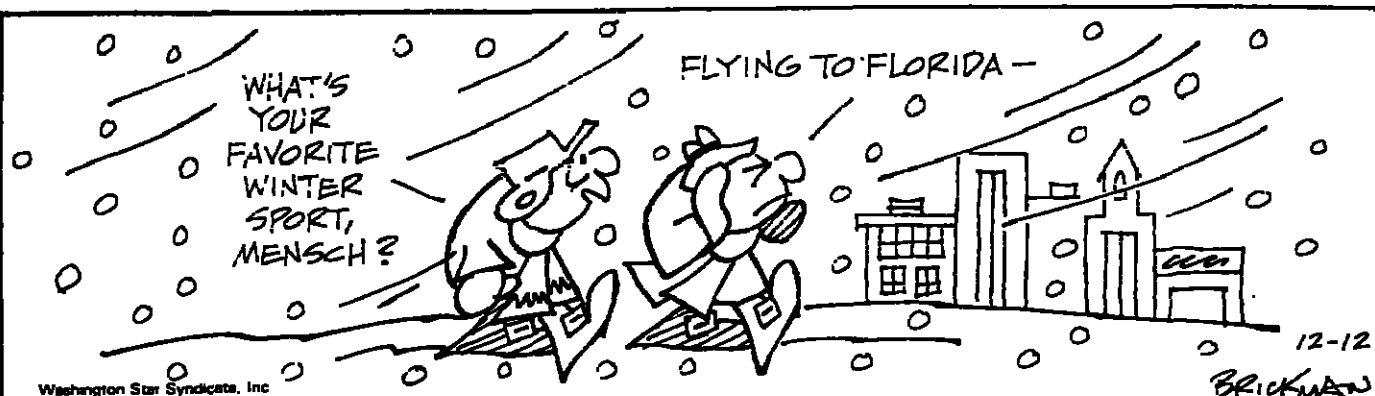
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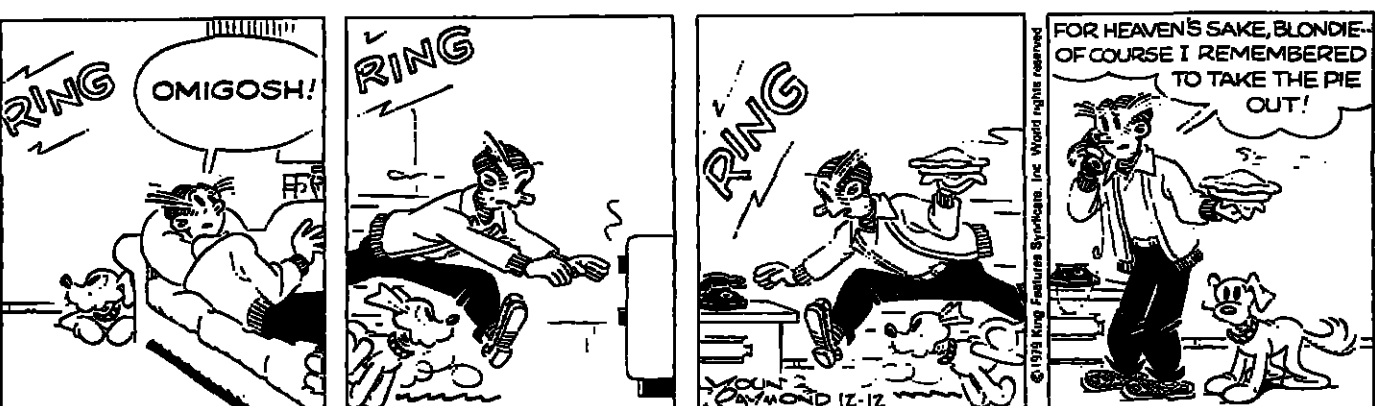
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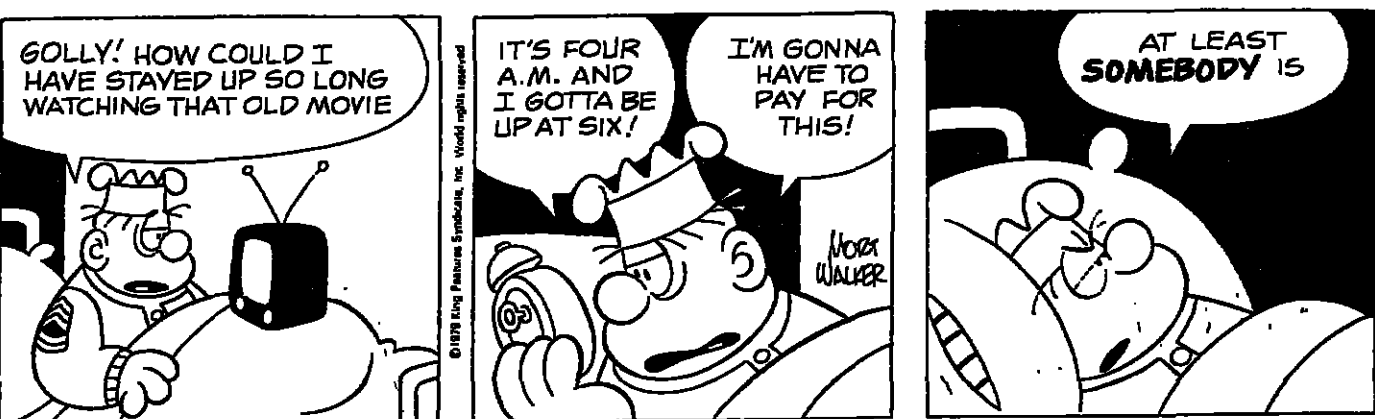
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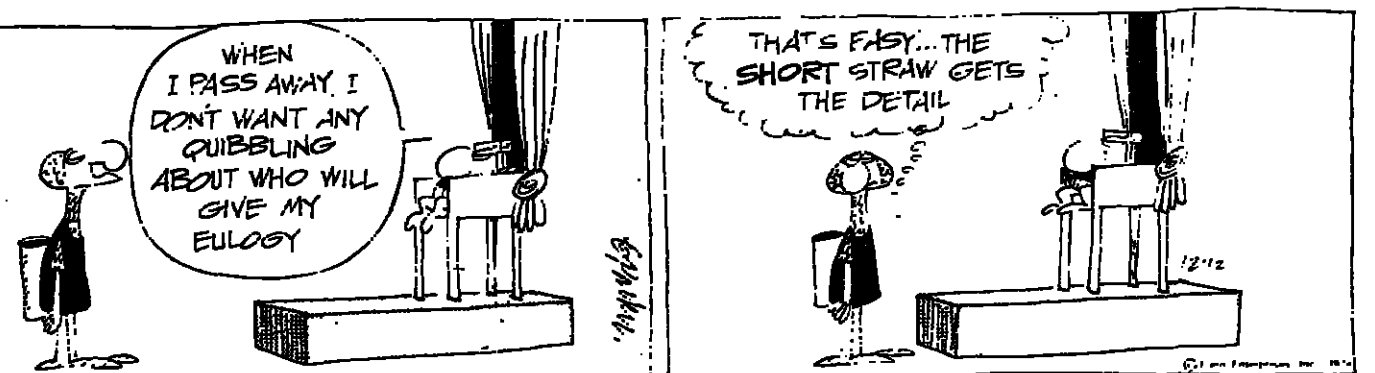
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Crossword

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ACROSS

1 "Rollerball" star

8 Exclude from

10 Eye

11 On cloud nine

13 Reprehensible

14 Watch oneself

15 Hebrew

16 Cigarette slang

17 Band leader

18 Being

20 Verb form

21 Used up

22 Commotion

23 Ghost

25 Anthem

26 Swarming

27 Nucleus

28 Cover

29 Victoria's consort

31 Ending for combat

32 Actor

33 Spigot

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40 Principle

41 Jaunty



Yesterday's Answer

16 Strike

25 "Dick"

27 Wine

29 Mountain

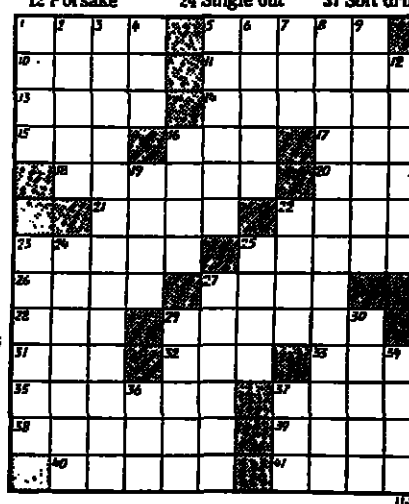
31 Implement

32 Miffed

34 Held in

36 Coq au

37 Soft drink



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:

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Contract Bridge

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Bidding Quiz

The question is whether to open one notrump or one of a suit in each of the following five hands. All of them come from world championship matches, and the same opening bid was made at each table. As dealer, what would you bid in each case?

1. ♠ A Q 4 3 ♥ Q 2 ♦ J 10 5 ♣ A K 7

2. ♠ A 3 ♥ A 10 8 ♦ A Q 10 5 ♣ K 10 6

3. ♠ A 3 ♥ A Q 7 5 ♦ K Q 8 5 ♣ K 7

4. ♠ A 10 ♥ Q 8 5 ♦ K 7 3 ♣ A Q 10 5

5. ♠ K 7 ♥ J 5 4 ♦ A Q 10 8 ♣ A Q 7

4. One notrump. This time an opening notrump bid is almost mandatory. It tells partner, in two words, that you have 15, 17 or 18 points, notrump distribution (usually 5-3-3-2 or 4-4-3-2, but sometimes 5-3-3-2), and strength or stoppers in at least three suits. An opening club or diamond bid would describe either your high-card values or your distribution nearly as well as an opening notrump bid.

5. One notrump. It is better here also to open one notrump and thus tell partner, with reasonable accuracy, the type of hand you actually have. If you were to open one diamond, you would run into a real problem if partner responded either one heart, one spade, one notrump or two clubs. Any rebid you made would be either an overbid, an underbid, or a misbid. You can avoid creating such problems for yourself by opening one notrump.

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Nejd 5:00	6:29	11:48	2:48	5:04 6:34

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6:39 The Champions	Episnde 7
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	Art Of Crime

VOA

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Reports: Actualities:	America: Science:
Opinion: Analyses	Cultural: Letter
8:30 Dateline	11:00 Special English: News
News Summary	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
9:00 Special English:	VOA WORLD REPORT
News: Feature: The	Midnight
Making of a Nation	
News Summary	
9:30 Music USA:	12:00 News newsmakers'
(Standards)	voices correspondents
10:00 News Roundup:	reports background
Reports: Actualities	features media
10:05 Opening: Analyses	comments news analyses.

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2:20 On Islam	9:15 Top of the Pops
2:30 Round and About	9:45 Companions of the Prophet

3:00 NEWS	10:00 A Viewpoint
3:10 Press Review	10:10 Music
3:15 Music	10:15 NEWS
3:20 Science Journal	10:25 S.A. A Daily Chronicle
3:30 A Selection of Music	10:30 Sounds Sweet and Strange

3:40	11:00 A Leaf on Life's Notebook
3:50 Closedown	11:10 Music
	11:15 Latin Music
	11:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
	12:00 Closedown

(French Service)

Morning Transmission

8:00 Ouverture	7:00 Ouverture
8:02 Lumiere sur le Coran	7:02 Versets et Commentaire
8:15 Musique	7:15 Magazine de la semaine
8:30 Bonjour	7:45 En paroles et en chansons
8:35 Varietes	8:15 Jeunesse et Sport
8:45 Occident et Orient	8:20 Varietes
8:50 Varietes	8:30 Informations
9:00 Informations	8:40 Revue de la presse
9:10 Lumieres sur les Informations	8:45 Musique
9:15 Varietes	8:55 Cloture
9:30 Etudes Islamiques	
9:35 Musique	
9:59 Cloture	

Evening Transmission

7:00 Ouverture	7:02 Versets et Commentaire
7:15 Magazine de la semaine	7:45 En paroles et en chansons
8:15 Jeunesse et Sport	8:20 Varietes
8:30 Informations	8:40 Revue de la presse
8:45 Musique	
8:55 Cloture	

BBC

Morning Transmission

8.00 World News	4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
8.09 Twenty-Four Hours	5.15 Report on Religion
News Summary	6.00 Radio Newsreel
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11.09 Reflections	9.09 News about Britain
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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Be generous in out of the way places. Creative inspiration is high. Put it to work for you. Trust hunches, but avoid rationalizations.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Morning hours favor getting in touch with friends. Send out invitations. An unusual object may capture your fancy. Retire early.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

A behind-the-scenes role serves your career interests best. Head out of the office that is coming to consciousness. Keep aims lofty.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Get in touch with those at a distance. Talks with advisers go well. The p.m. favors creative work done in private. Believe in intuition.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

Business conferences proceed smoothly. Present ideas to higher-ups. An unusual invitation may come your way. Financial tip from a friend.

PISCES

(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Talkers with lawyers and advisers favored. Go ahead with career projects. The attention is on you! Rise to the occasion.

ARIES

(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Follow through on that work-related idea. Music or attendance at a cultural event brings relaxation. Avoid clashes over trifles.

TAURUS

(Apr. 20 to May 20)

Make decisions re children's affairs. Singles in love may think of marriage proposals. Trust hunches re business ventures.

GEMINI

(May 21 to June 20)

Be straightforward in dealings with others. Make an effort to be understood. Don't procrastinate, but implement domestic plans.

CANCER

(June 21 to July 22)

Watch out for vague health complaints that may be psychosomatic in origin. Creative work is highly favored. Share hobbies with children.

LEO

(July 23 to Aug. 22)

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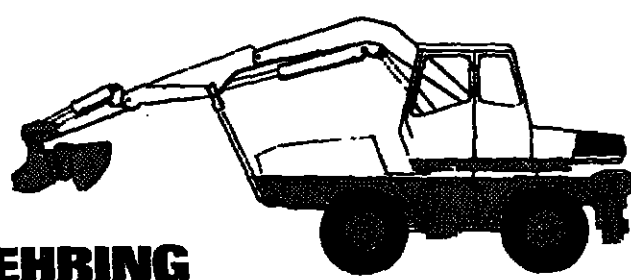
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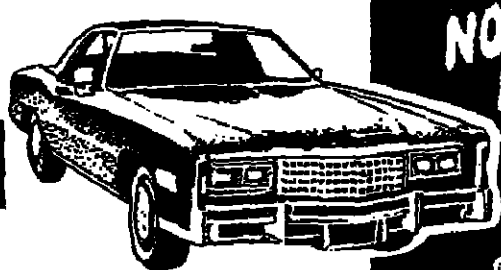
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Dutch cabinet in balance

NATO missile deliberations to start

BRUSSELS, Dec. 11 (Agencies) — On the eve of NATO's decision to deploy medium-range nuclear missiles in Western Europe, the government of Holland is walking on a political tightrope between its support for the arms and the Dutch Parliament's opposition to them.

Dutch Defense Minister Willem Scholten started bilateral talks here Monday with his NATO colleagues that would allow Holland to save face as an alliance member yet still enable its government to survive a vote of confidence in the legislature.

Scholten's talks were to last until a few hours before the Dutch cabinet was to decide on its position on the U.S. Pershing and cruise missiles Tuesday. The crucial cabinet meeting was scheduled to start at 1600 GMT.

"But I do not have the impression that a major breakthrough has been achieved," Scholten said of his discussions here so far this week. He would not elaborate.

His talks are part of an all-out, last-ditch effort by the Dutch to arrange for a compromise at Wednesday's expected decision to deploy the 572 missiles by NATO defense and foreign ministers.

Observers here said if the Dutch could arrange for a delay in the deployment decision, the government of Christian Democrat Premier Andries Van Agt could withstand a no-confidence vote at home.

Last week, ten members of Van Agt's own party voted against.

But a delay in a deployment decision could appease some of all of Van Agt's renegade party members.

Thus, the Van Agt government could survive a no-confidence vote and still be regarded in Brussels as a dedicated member of the Atlantic alliance.

Informed sources here said British Defense Secretary Francis Pym warned European NATO colleagues Monday that a decision against deploying new nuclear missiles would harm their relations with Washington.

Pym, here for the one-day meeting of NATO's Eurogroup, said the American offer to build and deploy the new weapons in Western Europe was "a vivid reaffirmation of the U.S. commitment to Europe," the sources said.

He stressed the importance of a united, concerted decision and said that deep disappointment could be expected in the United States if NATO's response was negative or "pusillanimous."

In the absence of the main West German delegate, Defense Minister Hans Apel, in Bonn for Dutch-West German talks on the missiles question, Pym took the lead in urging Dutchers to agree to a consensus for the sake of the alliance's political cohesion.

Scholten argued, however, that NATO should take a decision in principle to build the missiles but not decide until later about their deployment, the sources said.

Informed sources said the Netherlands had offered to increase its efforts in conventional forces if NATO agreed to reduce its nuclear tasks. One of the proposals was to station a second Dutch brigade in West Germany, they said.

A communique issued at the end of the one-day Eurogroup meeting said the ministers expressed their "concern at the continued build-up of Warsaw Pact military capabilities, which were already at levels well in excess of defensive requirements."

"They expressed their disquiet at the destabilizing effects of the already substantial and still increasing deployment by the Soviet Union of long range theater nuclear forces," it said.

The United States accused Moscow Monday of working towards nuclear weapons superiority in Europe and urged Western states not to delay a decision to counter the buildup with the new missiles.

Assistant Secretary of State George Vest, delivering a speech for Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, said Soviet development of medium-range atomic missile stocks was opening up a dangerous gap in Western defenses.

"For the Soviet Union, having achieved strategic parity, appears now to be driving toward nuclear preponderance in the European theater," he told a journalists' dinner.

Italy gave its final approval late Monday night to the NATO plan to deploy the missiles capable of reaching the Soviet heartland.

CRUISING: Picture shows a U.S. Navy cruise missile, similar to the missiles the U.S. wants to station in Western European NATO countries to counter a Soviet military build-up in Eastern Europe.

The Soviet Union has charged that deployment of the missiles would upset the military balance on the continent and trigger a new arms race.

But NATO officials claim the balance has already been upset in Moscow's favor by the introduction of Soviet SS-20 missiles and backfire bombers.

The Italian Senate approved by a large majority a government motion, clearing the way for Christian Democrat Premier Francesco Cossiga to accept the missiles decision at the NATO meeting.

Christian Democrats and their governing partners, the Liberals and the Social Democ-

rats, voted in favor of the measure, as did the Socialists and the Republicans.

In East Berlin, meanwhile, a former West German naval officer who defected to East Germany said Tuesday he had worked in a secret U.S. West German intelligence group which concocted false figures about Soviet military strength.

Erhard Mueller, a lieutenant commander who defected a year ago, said in a television interview the group's task was to exaggerate the information gathered from satellites and other sources in order to trick Western states into believing Moscow posed a growing military threat.

The war, however, continues

Lord Soames to arrive in Salisbury today

SALISBURY, Dec. 11 (R) — Zimbabwe Rhodesia Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa announced Tuesday that Lord Soames will arrive Wednesday to govern the country during an interim period of British rule leading to general elections.

Muzorewa made the announcement at the start of a parliamentary debate on a constitutional bill handing over power to the British governor.

Monday, a bomb alert in the border town of Umtali provided a fresh reminder of the seven-year-old guerrilla war as Zimbabwe Rhodesia awaited the arrival of Lord Soames.

Only a day after Zimbabwe Rhodesian planes struck at guerrilla bases across the border in Zambia and Mozambique, the center of Umtali was cleared after police discovered a bomb hidden in a portable radio outside a shop.

The detonator went off before it could be defused but the explosives failed to go off, a police spokesman said. No one was hurt and no damage was caused.

The spokesman said the explosive was the same as the type used by the Zimbabwe African National Liberation Army (ZANLA) of Patriotic Front co-leader Robert Mugabe.

Bases in Zambia of both ZANLA and the Zimbabwe Peoples Revolutionary Army (ZIPRA) of Joshua Nkomo, the other Patri-



Lord Soames

otic Front leader, were attacked by Salisbury planes Sunday.

Military headquarters in Salisbury also announced the deaths of 20 black civilians, 15 of them in one incident when the tractor and trailer on which they were travelling detonated a land mine in the eastern part of the country early Monday.

The five others were reported to have been killed by guerrilla gangs in different parts of the operational areas.

For the first time in months, the communique did not report the deaths of any guerril-

las. The number of guerrilla deaths reported in recent communique has fallen sharply, apparently indicating a drop in direct confrontations as the peace talks near agreement.

The cross-border raids were clearly intended by the Salisbury government to weaken the guerrillas before a settlement at current peace talks in London.

A military communique said the raids into Zambia were prompted by a build-up of ZIPRA forces intending to infiltrate into Zimbabwe Rhodesia.

No reason was given for the Mozambique raid, but it appeared intended to prevent the guerrillas from building up their strength in the country before a settlement is reached.

The 14-week-old London peace talks are in the last stages of negotiating a ceasefire, the final hurdle to a full settlement.

Britain, which will run the rebel colony during a transition period leading to elections, is increasing its official presence in Salisbury for the planned arrival of Lord Soames.

Informed sources said three Royal Air Force (RAF) officers arrived in the capital last Friday to act as liaison officers for a massive airlift involving British and U.S. planes that will immediately follow the reinstatement of British authority. The planes will carry men and equipment for a 1,200-strong Commonwealth ceasefire monitoring force.

The advance guard of the British interim control has already arrived and administrators with their calculators, clerks with their pencil-sharpeners are at work.

And tight control has been imposed on Government House, where Lord Soames will live during his short-term governorship.

In advance of his arrival, reporters were allowed to inspect only the main reception and dining rooms — not his private quarters. The same rules apply to Buckingham Palace.

Reporters here found the grand piano out-of-tune.

More worrying than reporters are the herons which keep eating the goldfish in the ponds of government house.

A burning protocol question confronts the British: Will their military chief, Maj. Gen. John Acland, really have to salute the military commander of Zimbabwe Rhodesia, Lt. Gen. Peter Walls. It could be embarrassing, because Walls is technically the senior officer.

"Well," said a British official keen on compromise, "Perhaps they won't wear their caps — then no one to salute anyone."

Pakistan off to fine start in West Zone match

POONA, India, Dec. 11 (R) — The Pakistan cricketers, although weakened by injuries, made an impressive start here Tuesday against India's West Zone, declaring at 310 for five off only 81 overs on the first day of their three-day match.

India replied with 31 for no wicket by the close.

Zaheer Abbas delighted with some fine strokes, getting 50 off only 73 deliveries and went on to score an unbeaten 84.

While Abbas chased the runs, Taslim Arif played a defensive role before being caught off Yajurvedra for 101.

Veteran Saadiq Mohammad also impressed for the Pakistanis, making 67 with 11 fours.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

Of a Peacock now Plucked: I visited Iran once only, in the early seventies. I was among a number of Arab and other journalists invited by the Iranian Foreign Ministry. The occasion was one of those periodic disputes with Iraq. We were to cover the Iranian side of the sad story when Iraq expelled many Iranians.

I don't remember much of the work of the trip — all a blurred memory of a visit to the North West frontier, an area of high mountains and snow storms. There was also an interview with the foreign minister — Abbas Ali Khatlari who was later executed in the revolution. But one thing remained vivid in my mind all the time: the meeting we had with the Shah.

This was supposed to be a reception. But you don't just appear at the Shah's reception. There was first a meeting with foreign ministry officials and masters of the Imperial Palace's protocol, presided over by the foreign minister himself. Here we were told how to stand in the Presence the amount of time you spend there before the "Kin f Kings" (exactly two and a half minutes) before you withdraw, never turning your back on him to your appointed place.

There in your place you were not supposed to talk above a murmur. The place itself was really appointed. They drew a diagram for us to show us exactly where we stand, the route of approach to His Majesty, as well as that of the retreat.

At the reception itself, the Presence was surrounded by generals and high officials. These took it in turn to go to him, bowing all the way, then to kiss his hand and withdraw. We journalists did not do that far. But we were all uncomfortable with pomp and ceremony. There certainly weren't going to be any news gathered here.

My turn to face the Presence came. I was told before hand the kind of remarks The King of Kings liked and which was absolutely out. The protocol man even suggested that I should say that the people of Lebanon still remembered his visit to their country with gratitude. I was worried that I might overstay the appointed time for our conversation.

But face to face with the monarch, I found myself asking him, in English, how he could square his being the head of a Muslim state with his friendly and cooperative relation with Israel. He mumbled something in French, smiling vaguely. Interview over.

That was the King of Kings that was. On Life, on Time. I remember the unbelievable violence, the silver haired general stooping low to kiss the nonchalantly preferred hand. The humble and the vast smile with which an impertinent question is simply waived aside.

Translated from Ashary Al-Awsad

DC-10 tape shows crash alarm sounded

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (R) — A tape recovered from the crash of an Air New Zealand DC-10 in Antarctica last month includes a noise from a warning system designed to alert the pilot when the plane was too low. The *New York Times* reported Tuesday.

It quoted U.S. aviation officials who studying the voice recorder tape and flight recorder as saying it was not known when the warning sounded or whether crew would have had time to react.

They said that the Nov. 28 crash in which all 257 people aboard the sightseeing jet were killed could have been caused by navigational error and weather conditions which obscured the ground.

The plane, which was on a sightseeing flight from Auckland, New Zealand, crashed on the volcanic Mount Erebus.

The officials said the flight recorder showed no signs of structural or mechanical failure, and the voice tape contained words of alarm or other exchanges to indicate any knowledge by the crew that a crash was imminent.

John Turner quits race for Trudeau post

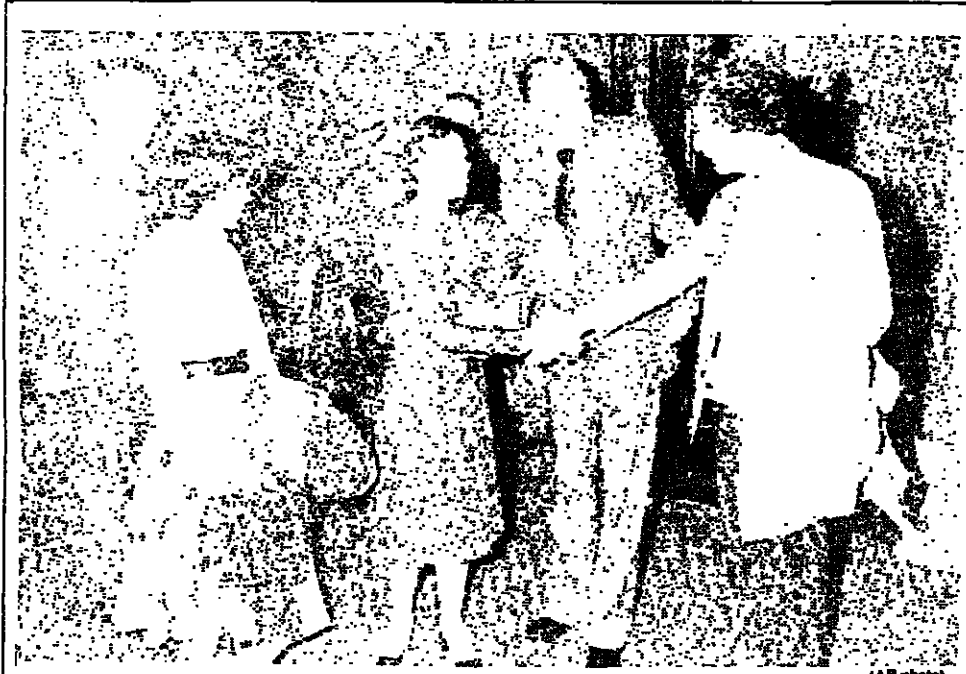
TORONTO, Dec. 11 (R) — Former Finance Minister John Turner surprised Canadians Monday night by announcing he will not be a candidate to succeed Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau as Liberal Party leader.

Turner had been regarded as a front runner, along with another former finance minister, Donald MacDonald.

He told a press conference he was going back on a decision he made in 1973 to quit public life.

Trudeau announced his resignation last month. A party convention will choose a new leader in March.

Trudeau was ousted as prime minister in a general election last May and the Liberals now in opposition in parliament in Ottawa.



PREPARATION: Queen Silvia of Sweden is introduced to two young American students brought to Stockholm for the Nobel Prize ceremony. Shown with her is 1951 physics prize winner Glenn Seaborg.

First Pakistani winner

Nobels given in Stockholm

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 11 (Agencies) — This year's Nobel Prize winners received their prizes and celebrated Monday at a series of glittering gatherings.

Nobel Foundation Chairman Sunoverg Elytis, quoted Greek poet Odysseus Elytis, this year's literature laureate, at the Concert House ceremony saying:

"The force of scientific development is so great that one must optimistically believe that the force of good, too, must triumph in our problem-filled world."

Professor Abdus Salam, the first Muslim and the first Pakistani to win a Nobel Prize, joined Americans Sheldon Glassow and Steven Weinberg in accepting the prize for physics.

Professor Salam planned to wear Pakistani national dress at Monday night's banquet with King Carl Gustaf instead of formal evening dress.

Other winners receiving their medals were West Indian-born Sir Arthur Lewis and American Theodore Schultz for economics; Allan Cormack of the U.S. and Godfrey Hounsfield of Britain for medicine and American Herbert Brown

and West German Georg Witting for chemistry.

Mother Teresa was awarded the peace prize in Oslo earlier Monday for her work in the slums of Calcutta.

Maintaining her sense of humor amid the frenzied pace of the Nobel Peace Prize ceremonies, mother Teresa said with a laugh Tuesday that the prize has brought her "a little extra work."

"I think I have paid well for the Nobel Prize," she laughed during a chat with reporters in Oslo describing the flood of press attention and visitors she has received since the prize was announced Oct. 17.

The 69-year old Catholic missionary received the prize and a check for more than \$192,000 Monday and on Sunday she was awarded the \$70,000 Norwegian people's prize.

The Nobel Peace prize committee, made up by five members chosen by the Norwegian parliament, cancelled the traditional Nobel dinner at her request and gave her the additional \$6,000 allocated for the dinner.

Defections increase

Ceausescu stifles intellectual life

BUCHAREST, Dec. 11 (OFNS) — Mihail Botez and his architect wife Mariana had just delivered several hundred pages of their book on urban planning to the publisher when an order was received: it would have to include two pages of presidential quotations.

Botez refused. The sayings of Romania's President Nicolae Ceausescu seemed inappropriate in such a work.

A few streets away the philosopher Titus Mocanu was complaining about official constraints on the teaching of his subject, aesthetics.

And a thousand miles away, all four members of the Athenaeum quartet, were planning their defection on a concert tour of France.

All are recent events separated by a matter of weeks. All have one thing in common: the increasing politicization of the arts and sciences in Romania.

As a result, a growing sense of desperation is driving more and more intellectuals abroad. One Western embassy source in Bucharest estimates that roughly 8,000 Romanians a year decline to come home after officially approved trips to the West.

Others are asking to be relieved of their

jobs, a move presumably made as a prelude to applying for permission to emigrate, something for which they could wait for years — or forever.

"I would stay if I thought I could carry on in my field doing useful and rewarding work," explained one scientist who has made the mental decision to quit the country.

"Nothing can be done here," added a teacher, pointing to the harsh official measures taken against anyone who dares to challenge repressive measures.

The intellectuals want to work to professional not political, rules, and they want more foreign publications. Budgets for foreign books and magazines were slashed after 1974.

One intellectual claimed the University of Bucharest now probably subscribes to only four or five foreign journals. Other materials for their work are scarce.

Intellectuals resent the limitations placed on their travel abroad for study and conferences, a problem recently made worse. It is rumored at the instigation of Madam Ceausescu, by a new law that bans foreign travel during the academic year.

Similar to NATO Kennedy urges oil sharing plan

CHICAGO, Dec. 11 (R) — Presidential contender Sen. Edward Kennedy said Monday the United States should get together with Western Europe to share oil in an emergency.

"The NATO military alliance to defend Europe must be matched by an alliance for collective energy security," he told the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations.

"This alliance should provide for more effective conservation. It should also provide for increased oil sharing in an emergency," said Kennedy, who is challenging President Jimmy Carter for the White House.

He proposed that the new energy alliance help tap potential oil resources.

Kennedy, in implicit criticism of President Carter, said the United States must show more imaginative leadership to better rationalize world production and consumption of oil.

Kennedy also advocated a strong defense, saying the United States must not retreat in the face of rising Soviet power.

"This nation must never accept second place in national security," he told an audi-



Edward Kennedy

ence of 1,200.

The senator said the United States should continue to develop sophisticated weapons to strengthen its military forces.

Readiness in the armed forces must be improved, he said. One-third to one-half of U.S. forces are not ready for battle, he added.

Head of local sect

St. Vincent coup chief arrested

WASHINGTON, St. Vincent Dec. 11 (AP) — The leader of the mini-revolt on tiny Union Island against the new government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines has been arrested on a neighboring island, Radio St. Vincent has said.

The radio identified the leader as Lennox Charles. He is believed to be the leader of the local Rastafarian Cult that believes that the late Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie was a promised messiah.

The broadcast said Charles and three others were arrested on an island belonging to Grenada, and the government of Prime Minister Milton Cato has initiated extradition proceedings to bring them here.

One of Charles' followers was killed and a policeman was wounded in the leg during the revolt on Union Island Dec. 7.

Police, sent to the island from St. Vincent, arrested 30 persons, including seven women, and brought them here to stand trial.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines became independent from Britain Oct. 27 and in elections held Dec. 5 Cato's Labor Party won 11 of 13 legislative seats.